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WORLD AWAITS NEW COLUMBUS

Needed to Lead Way to Universal Peace,. Curley Says—English Lord Mayor Honored



TWO MAYORS AND A MAYORESS

Wearing the regalia of office and accompanied by the Lady Mayoress and her golden chain of authority, Lord Mayor George F. Titt of Manchester, Eng., and his wife are shown with Mayor Curley at Columbus Day exercises on the Common. Left to right: Lord Mayor Titt, the Lady Mayoress, Mayor Curley.

Another Columbus with the courage to lead the movement for international disarmament and universal peace is all the world needs to end depression and restore prosperity, Mayor Curley told a record crowd of 8000 participating in Boston's best Columbus Day celebration yesterday on the Common.

EXPRESSION OF GOOD WILL

As a step toward international good will, the Mayor transformed the municipal exercises into a thunderous reception to the Lord Mayor of Manchester, England, and other British officials, who came here as Boston's special guests of the day.

To the Lord Mayor, his Worship George F. Titt, the city publicly presented a Paul Revere silver pitcher, and to the Lady Mayoress, a bouquet of American beauties, as a token of amity from Boston to Manchester, England.

Gifts Exchanged

In return the people of Manchester, England, sent a hand-carved chair for the Mayor's office, and a similar humidor for the Mayor himself, both of which were hewn from an oak tree which was only a sapling 439 years ago when Columbus landed on the American shore. For the Public Library the visiting Mayor also made the presentation of a leather-bound history of the English city of Manchester.

The Lord Mayor and his Mayoress formed the feature of the city's celebration at the Parkman bandstand for the musical and oratorical functions and then on the Common parade ground for the military salute to the flag at sundown.

Colorful Spectacle

The exercises were the most colorful yet held on the Common in celebration of Columbus Day. Not only was the bandstand garlanded with the national and Italian colors, but the flags of the 21 Pan-American countries celebrating the great discovery were borne in procession by color guards, together with the 13-starred Yorktown flag which was added this year in observance of the 150th anniversary of the surrender of Cornwallis.

Marines and sailors from the navy yard, Boston high school cadets, Boy Scout color guards, the velvet-garbed Alhambra band and the escort of Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus in full dress with their silver swords added to the spectacle presented by the massed flags.

To the soft accompaniment of the band, Sydney J. Freedberg of Public Latin School read Joaquin Miller's Columbus poem, "Sail On," and Supreme Director John E. Swift of the Knights of Columbus followed with the oration of the day, appealing for the re-dedication of America to the principles of Columbus, "faith in God, in country and in our fellow-men."

Mayor Curley, in paying tribute to Italy's contributions to the world, particularly in art, sculpture, literature and the great discovery of Columbus, declared that after the economists of the universe had been wandering in the darkness for two years of depression, again from Italy came the solution of the day's problem in the Pope's encyclical for world peace through disarmament.

"From the precincts of the Vatican comes the only solution of the world's depression problem," said the Mayor, "and the only solution is the recognition of the second divine commandment, 'Love thy neighbor as thyself.'"

In his oration, Supreme Director Swift appealed for the maintenance and defence of the legacy left to the world by the continent's discoverer, who, he said, had proved that there was no antagonism between religion and science.

"When America fails to render service to the peoples of the earth she has broken the golden thread that links the mission of Columbus with her destiny and she has opened the way, not to world-wide influence, but to national decay," said Mr. Swift.

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HONOR V.W.F. AT DILBOY POST DINNER PARTY

Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Ladies' Auxiliary from all parts of the state will wend their way to the Knights of Columbus Building, Highland ave., Somerville, tomorrow evening to pay tribute to Department Commander George W. Cronin at a reception to be tendered him during the annual banquet and dansant of the George Dilboy Post.

This event has always been one of the outstanding V. F. W. affairs but, due to the popularity of the state leader, a member of the Somerville post, the committee in charge is making arrangements for a capacity gathering.

Gov. Ely, Mayor Curley, Cong. Charles L. Underhill and Mayor John J. Murphy of Somerville have definitely accepted invitations to attend and will head a selected list of speakers.

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English Mayor and Party Review Police



Lord Mayor Reviews Police Parade



Lord Mayor Titt, of Manchester, Eng., left, and Mrs. Titt, with Mayor Curley.



Police Commr. Hultman, at 'phone, keeps in touch with strike during parade.

Hub Guests

Were in attendance at the review of the Boston police department yesterday. In the distinguished group caught by the camera, above, are, from left to right, F. E. Warbreck Howell, Mayor Curley, Lady Mayoress and Lord Mayor Titt of Manchester, Eng., Mace Bearer Esset and Police Commr. Hultman.

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chair, a volume on Manchester, Eng, for the Boston Public Library, and a gold cigar and cigarette case for himself.

Mayor Curley received all three gifts in gracious fashion and said he would place the chair in the Mayor's suite at City Hall. Mayor Curley presented the Lady Mayoress, Mrs Alice Maclennan Titt, with a huge bouquet of flowers and then introduced her to the large audience with a foreword of praise for her humane work in the slums of England.

Mrs Titt delivered a brief address in which she thanked the people of Boston for the hearty hospitality accorded her husband since they came to this city.

The Lord Mayor made a more extended address than was expected and the program was considerably later than scheduled time when Mayor Curley introduced J. E. Swift of Milford supreme director of the Knights of Columbus and orator of the day. Atty Swift paid a glowing tribute to the great Christian mariner, whose discovery he said was celebrated by all the countries of South, Central and North America.

There was a trooping of all the colors represented. A bugler sounded "Attention!" and the band played "The Star Spangled Banner," which the big audience sang.

That ended the program at the bandstand and the flag bearers marched away to the athletic field on the Common with the band and the High School Cadets acting as escort for the Mayor, the special guests and the celebration committee.

On the athletic field there was a flag ceremony including evening colors, the sunset salute and the lowering of the national flag. The ceremony was carried out by a battalion and band of United States Marines and bluejackets, and a firing squad from the Field Artillery, M. N. G.

Cadets from Mechanic Arts High School, in charge of Capt Thomas H Dowd Jr, were ushers at the band stand exercises.

The committee in charge was composed of Joseph A. F. O'Neil, chairman; John B. Archibald, Henry F Brennan, John A. Farley, Henry J Lazarus, George W. McLaren, John F Noonan, Henry J. D. Small, John A Scanga, and E. B. Mero.

Striving to Keep Navy Yard Open

Assurance was received today by Mayor Curley from Secretary M. D. Liming of the Boston Chamber of Commerce that the chamber will bend every effort to prevent the rumored closing of the Boston Navy Yard. This assurance was set forth in a letter in reply to a recent request from the mayor that the chamber exercise all influence possible to keep the local Navy yard in operation.

"You will recall," wrote Secretary Liming in the absence of President Henry I. Harriman of the chamber, "that the chamber sent representatives to Washington recently when it was proposed to reduce the number of workers at the yard, and that our appeals, together with those of others who have the interests of the yard at heart, succeeded in maintaining a reasonably good level of employment here.

"I want to tell you also that we are again working with leaders of the mechanical forces at the yard to formulate such plans as we hope will prevent any diminution in the effectiveness of the yard or the number of men on its pay rolls. We have also been in touch with others who, we believe, can bring effective influence to bear on the situation."

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DOCK MEN TO APPEAL TO MAYOR

Want Curley to Force Arbitration of Differences

Determined to stand shoulder to shoulder in defiance of their international president's action in revoking the charter of one of their big locals, the striking longshoremen of Boston last night announced they had decided to force the issue in their battle with the ship operators and would call upon Mayor Curley today with a request that he step into the situation.

SEEK ARBITRATION

They will seek action by the Mayor to force the arbitration of the differences between themselves and the ship operators. The decision was reached by the Boston District Council, which drew the ire of International President Joseph P. Ryan last week and finally caused him to revoke the charter of one of the three big locals of the International Longshoremen's Association.

The action of the strikers comes as the first acceptance of outside interference in the big battle and particularly of the standing offers of Mayor Curley and Governor Ely to bring about peace in the strike, which has seriously crippled the movement of all big deep water freighters and passenger liners handling freight for more than a week.

Stand by Mullen

The strikers will seek a conference with Mayor Curley at 4 p. m. today. Yesterday the Boston District Council, of which John P. Mullen is president, held a long conference. It was announced the strikers had renewed confidence in their leaders and that they had no intention of "getting rid of Mullen" as had been suggested by Ryan when he revoked the charter of Local 800.

Locals 799 and 805 courted further disciplinary measures by the international body last night by declaring through their council officers that they would stand by 800 despite the latter's charter revocation. The council severely criticised Ryan for taking action on the technical grounds that Local 800 had not paid a per capita tax for nine months.

It was pointed out the by-laws called for such action after six months of nonpayment and that the penalty coming during the strike was more severe than was justified.

This morning the ship operators' committee will meet at the Flour and Grain Exchange on Milk street to talk over measures. They are scheduled to appear before Chairman Edward Fisher of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation at 2 p. m. At that time they will present their side of the case, but last night members of the committee declared there had been no change in the stand that they would accept no arbitration or compromise.

Strike Breakers Busy

Yesterday, despite measures taken by the police to handle expected demonstrations in various sections of the port, there was not a single outbreak. Work of loading and unloading the vessels in the harbor was carried on by the growing gangs of strikebreakers.

At East Boston and Charlestown there were no ships for cargo handling, but the strikebreakers at Commonwealth Pier and the Army Base were busy from early morning until almost midnight.

No effort was made yesterday to draw out the 400 freight-handlers in a sympathy strike, although union leaders had been empowered to do so by Local 799 at a Sunday meeting. The leaders declared this action had been deferred and the step would not be taken until a further consideration of the situation had been made by the district council.

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'COME, GANDHI!' SAYS CURLEY

Mayor Curley today invited Mahatman Gandhi of India to visit Boston in the event that he comes to the United States.

The mayor took this action at the request of Sailendra Nath Ghose, president of the India National Congress of America with headquarters in New York, whose daughters, Mariam and Lilabati Ghose, are soon to sail for England to invite the Mahatma to visit America.

The invitation will be carried to the Mahatma by the girls.

TRAVELER 10/13/31

CURLEY INVITES GANDHI TO BOSTON

Mahatma Gandhi, the apostle of liberty for India, has been invited to visit Boston, if he decides on an American tour.

Mayor Curley today wired the invitation, through Sailendra Nath Ghose of New York, who is president of the India National Congress of America. Two daughters of the president of the congress will sail Wednesday from New York for London and will extend the invitation from the city of Boston to Gandhi.

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FLAGS OF 20 NATIONS REFLECT COLUMBUS DAY SPIRIT HERE

Picturesque Exercises on the Common Held in Memory Of Discoverer's Landing



LORD MAYOR TITT OF MANCHESTER, ENGLAND, AND HIS LADY MAYORESS AS THEY WERE WELCOMED TO BOSTON
Left to Right—F. E. Warbreck Howell, town clerk of Manchester Mayor Curley; Lady Mayoress Titt; Lord Mayor Titt; Robert Esson, mace bearer for the Lord Mayor; Police Commissioner Hultman and John H. Agnew, adjutant general of Massachusetts.

The truly American aspect of Columbus Day was impressed yesterday afternoon on a cosmopolitan assemblage of more than 3000 persons on Boston Common where the flags of 20 or more of the countries of South, Central and North America were massed in striking fashion.

The display of so many flags, most of them unfamiliar to the people of this country, was a beautiful feature of Boston's program of appropriate exercises arranged to commemorate the 439th anniversary of the landing of Christopher Columbus as discoverer of America.

The exercises were held on the Parkman bandstand, and the pleasant October afternoon attracted the large audience made up for the most part of the foreign born who strolled up from the North and West ends of the city and from the "foreign colonies" of the outlying sections.

Interest in Flags

Much interest was attached to the display of foreign flags and the United States flag of 1776 with its 13 stars. The American flag was shown in recognition of the 150th anniversary of the seige of Yorktown and the surrender of Lord Cornwallis to Gen George Washington. That history-making event will be fittingly commemorated in a celebration which begins at Yorktown next Friday and continues until the following Monday.

The program on the Common bandstand began soon after 3 o'clock, with the playing by the Alhambra Band, under the direction of James J. Bulman, of the "America Victorious" march and Victor Herbert's "The Serenade." Then came the colorful and impressive placing of the 21 flags as the Pan-American feature by uniformed Boy Scouts acting as color bearers.

Meanwhile the band played "Panamerica." United States Marines were color guards for the American flag; uniformed cadets from the Boston public high schools carried the 13-starred flag of Yorktown and Boston firemen in uniform were the color bearers of the city of Boston municipal flag. The band played "Hail Columbia" as the flags were placed in position around the bandstand.

Joseph A. F. O'Neil of Dorchester, a Charlestown schoolmaster, then formally opened the program as chairman of the citizens' celebration committee and presented Mayor Curley as the presiding officer of the day. There was more band music and the reading of Joaquin Miller's Columbus poem, "Sail On," by Sydney J. Freedberg, a student of the Boston Latin School.

Present Lord Mayor

Mayor Curley then presented Rt Hon George Frank Titt, Lord Mayor of Manchester, Eng, a distinguished visitor here. The Lord Mayor made a picturesque appearance in his flowing scarlet robes of office and his black plumed hat.

The English visitor delivered a spirited address in which he brought the greetings of his homeland, thanked the people of Boston and New England for their hospitality, and in conclusion presented Mayor Curley an oak

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Boston police, 1600 strong, 500 less than in previous years, staged their most colorful street parade and review yesterday, before 75,000 persons gathered along the line of march and on Boston Common.

While their comrades were receiving the plaudits of those gathered along the streets, 500 of the men who ordinarily would have been in the line of march, were busily engaged patrolling the docks on the waterfront, where the longshoremen's strike is in progress.

SUPERINTENDENT ABSENT

The one missing note in this year's parade was the absence of Superintendent Michael H. Crowley as Colonel in the parede. The "Super," always a popular figure with the spectators, is on his way home from Europe where he was elected president of the International Police Conference.

Mayor Curley, with Lord Mayor George Frank Titt and his official family, reviewed the parade from the stand in front of City Hall. At the State House Adjutant-General John H. Agnew, representing Governor Ely, was in the reviewing stand with Police Commissioner Hultman and other police officials.

Five Divisions Captainless

In addition to the absence of Superintendent Crowley one noticeable change in the parade was the fact that five divisions were without the presence of their captains.

Captain Perley S. Killings of the Brighton station was confined to his home with a cold. Captain John E. Driscoll of the Mattapan station, who collapsed in last year's parade, was not allowed to march. Captain Michael Healey of the Athens street station is on a vacation in Ireland. The Back Bay and West Roxbury stations are temporarily without commanders.

When the parade reached Boston Common Mayor Curley shook hands with Police Commissioner Hultman and introduced him to his guests. Whether or not the crowd took the gesture as a burying of the hatchet between the two officials can only be guessed by the thunderous applause that greeted it.

A Cavalry Charge

The most spectacular change from reviews of other years was in the cavalry charge by the mounted officers from the Back Bay station under Sergeant Edward B. Cain and the "attack" by the riot squad.

In the latter event two companies of the riot squad, comprising 104 men, advanced behind a screen of smoke bombs thrown by grenadiers and fired three volleys of blank cartridges at their imaginery foes. The demonstration evoked the greatest applause of the parade.

Lord Mayor Titt, clad in the red and black robe trimmed with brown fur made a striking figure in the line of review with the equally colorful robes of his fellow officials of Manchester, England.

Reviewed by 25,000

Deputy Superintendent Thomas F. Goode, acting superintendent, who was colonel in the parade, estimated the crowd at the review on the Common at 25,000. It was the largest crowd ever to review the police.

John Fennell, 3-year-old son of Patrolman Robert Fennell of the Dudley street station furnished the amusement for the guests of Commissioner Hultman by his repeated dashes onto the parade ground to join his "Daddy" who was a color bearer.

Makes Three Dashes

The little lad sighted his father as he passed in the dress parade. When the police formed in a hollow square in front of the commissioner the child broke from his grandmother on three different occasions and raced across the parade ground crying for his daddy. Finally he was corraled and taken to the rear of the crowd as the inspections of troops was started.

Fearing trouble in the longshoremen's strike a policeman stood with the door open and the telephone to his ear at every police box along the line of march. Large details were on duty at the docks in Charlestown, East Boston and South Boston. In addition traffic men were held in reserve at the Milk street traffic station and detectives and members of the traffic bureau were held at headquarters.

Ready for Action

On the Common a field telephone set was in operation immediately behind Commissioner Hultman. The line within touch with police headquarters where Captain James J. Walkins was sitting with the receiver off awaiting any news of serious trouble. None came.

Commissioner Hultman after the parade stated that with the "pup wagons" and motorcycles that they were prepared to send 300 men to the scene of any trouble within 10 minutes.

FIRE INSURANCE RATE CUT ASKED

Mayor Curley Commences Fresh Campaign

Undiscouraged by the failure of all previous attempts to effect what he considers a long overdue reduction of local fire insurance rates, Mayor Curley commenced a fresh campaign today, when Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin, after conferring with the Mayor, ordered Chief Fox and his six deputies each to prepare immediately written reports on which the fight can proceed.

Mr Curley moved in the matter when he learned that a committee on fire insurance rates, whose members are mostly all identified with the Boston Chamber of Commerce and the Boston Board of Fire Underwriters, have been quietly working through several weeks to effect the reopening of the Fire College, so-called. The activities of the college ceased several years ago.

Operation of this college, requiring expenditure of considerable sums of taxpayers' money for the upkeep of specialized courses designed to stimulate efficiency would tend, of course, further to keep down fire losses. Mr Curley is convinced that, before any more of the taxpayers' funds are devoted to this end, the fire insurance companies themselves should make some direct contribution to these expenses, indirectly, by way of a 10 to 15 percent reduction in rates.

The Mayor thinks that the cost-of-living could be considerably reduced if there was a markdown in fire insurance rates, inasmuch as these rates, imposed on owners of buildings, foodstuffs, wearing apparel and all other commercial articles, are eventually passed along to tenants, householders and consumers of all articles sold at retail. "When a man buys a 40-cent lunch, or a $6 pair of shoes, he's still paying somebody else's fire insurance rates," Mr Curley said.

The Mayor declared that the promised reduction of 10 or 15 percent in insurance rates, made in the Peters administration, when John R. Murphy was Fire Commissioner, has never materialized.

Some $6,000,000 of taxpayers' money had been expended in installing a high-pressure system for fighting downtown fires. At about that time, too, the City Government completed, at an outlay of millions of dollars, the complete motorization of its Fire Department.

Boston Fire Department is thus today among the Nation's most efficient, Mr Curley argues, and cites as proof of this fact the heavy decreases that have occurred in the total annual fire losses in this city.

In view of the general deflation that is going on in the commodity costs in commerce and industry, to say nothing of wage reductions, the Mayor is determined to conduct a strenuous fight to achieve a fire insurance rate reduction at this time.

Armed with the reports of the deputies later this week, he will make direct appeal to the Board of Fire Underwriters to declare the reduction in rates he seeks. Neither the Mayor nor Commissioner McLaughlin would say when the Fire College might resume activities, but the prospects are that no step will be taken in this matter until the Mayor has heard from the underwriters.

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MAYOR COMMENDED FOR REQUEST TO AIMEE

More than a dozen letters from various parts of the country were received by Mayor Curley today commending him for asking Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton to share her profits with the unemployed. One from a Denver, Colo., physician enclosing a verse setting forth his ideas on the revivalist. Another from Nashville, Tenn.

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75,000 Cheer Hub's 'Finest' on Parade

The Boston Police Department marched in annual street parade yesterday, with about 1700 officers and men in line, passed in review and staged a special riot squad demonstration on Boston Common before a total number of spectators estimated at 75,000.

The parade was applauded along the streets. The riot show on the Common drew rounds of applause.

For the first time in 11 years since the parades of the new force were inaugurated, Police Supt. Michael H. Crowley was not at the head of the column. He is on vacation abroad. Deputy Thomas F. Goode, acting-superintendent, acted as parade leader.

BRITISH NOTABLES IN STAND

Keenly interested spectators were Lord Mayor George F. Titt of Manchester, England, and his retinue, including Town Clerk F. E. Warbreck Howell of Manchester. The Lord Mayor wore his official regalia.

His town clerk was clad in black and brown robe, with brown belt and tassels. The visitors from Manchester were among the guests of Mayor James M. Curley on the City Hall reviewing stand.

Every division in the police department was represented in the parade, with additional units of machine gun, riot, bombing, sharpshooter and motorcycle squads.

Curley's 50-50 Scheme for Profits of Revival Brings National Praise

Mayor Curley's 50-50 proposition to Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton on the net proceeds of her Boston Garden revival apparently received Nation-wide publicity, for the Mayor is in receipt of numerous letters from as far south as Tennessee and as far west as Colorado, expressing approval of his business acumen. His securing half of the profits for the unemployed of Boston seems to meet with the approval of the letter writers.

TRANSCRIPT 10/13/31

Gandhi Invited to Boston by Curley

If Mahatma Gandhi decides to come to America, he will be a welcome guest of Boston, according to a message which Mayor Curley sent to emissaries who are sailing soon from New York to invite Gandhi to come to this country after the round-table conference in London. Replying to a communication from Sail endra Nath Ghose, president of the India National Congress of America, New York city, the mayor requested that two American girls, Mariam Ghose and Lilabati Ghose, who sail on Wednesday to convey America's greetings to Gandhi and the invitation to come to this country deliver personally to Gandhi the invitation to visit this city.

HERALD 10/13/31

IN FANEUIL

Strangely enough, some communities seem to retain their neighborhood spirit, while others which have similar social, religious and racial elements, are losing it. There are sections of Boston where local pride, strong a generation or two ago, is hardly discernible. They were proud, self-conscious little centres, in other days. They may not have administered their own affairs, but the residents were cohesive, and their requests had impact. A mile or two away there may be another section which has refused to be absorbed by the encroaching metropolis. Church groups, women's organizations, men's clubs, boys and girls' societies carry on in the same old way. The residents are usually first class citizens of the metropolis as a whole. They have two good loyalties, which do not conflict with each other.

The pocket of Boston known as Faneuil is an excellent example of a place which retains its old pride. When Mayor Curley laid the cornerstone of a branch library there a few days ago, 2000 of the residents gathered to take part and to exult in the new structure. They had even objected a few months ago to the preliminary plans of the library. They said that the assembly room should be made larger—and it was. The building will become the civic centre of Faneuil. It will tend to perpetuate and strengthen the wholesome community sense which is unfortunately lacking in many other districts.

HERALD 10/13/31

POLICE PARADE FEATURE EVENT OF HOLIDAY HERE

1500 March in Review as 15,000 Look On—Special Drill Staged

8000 SEE EXERCISES ON THE COMMON

Manchester, England, Lord Mayor and Party Are Guests of City

A colorful parade of 1500 Boston policemen yesterday morning and the official celebration of the city with flag exercises on the Common in the afternoon featured the observance of Columbus day as clear, crisp autumn weather closed another double holiday.

Streets of the shopping district were crowded, although all stores were closed. Parades and patriotic demonstrations featured the day not only in Boston proper but in many of its suburbs.

Scores of fraternal organizations and civic and military bodies celebrated the end of the holiday. Football games drew great crowds. Thousands flocked to the Union Boat Club regatta on the Charles river. Down-town theatres, movies and night clubs vied for the evening patronage of the celebrants, while the usual traffic jams made the home-coming of thousands more a tedious climax to the week-end.

15,000 SEE REVIEW

In the greatest Columbus day demonstration ever given by the Boston police department, officers and patrolmen marched through downtown streets, passed in review before 15,000 persons on Boston Common, and then staged a special riot squad drill to prove their preparedness for any emergency.

The emergency constantly threatened yesterday in the form of the longshoremen's strike on Boston piers, but did not materialize. Police officials, continuously in touch with the situation, held the line of march intact until the parade was over to relieve reserve forces in the event of any outbreak.

City and state officials reviewed the policemen at the State House, where Adjt.-Gen. John H. Agnew, represented Gov. Ely, and at City Hall where Mayor Curley was host to Lord Mayor George F. Titt of Manchester, England. With Police Commissioner Hultman they gathered later on the Common to review the police.

In the absence of Superintendent Crowley, who missed his first review to attend the international convention of police chiefs in Paris, and who is now president of the organization, the acting superintendent, Deputy Superintendent Goode gave the "forward, march" order that started the police regiment from Dartmouth street to Commonwealth avenue to Arlington street to Boylston street to Tremont street to Temple Place to Washington street to School street past City Hall to Beacon street past the State House to Charles street and the Common.

Dressed in the winter uniform and wearing white gloves, the policemen earned the commendation of thousands who thronged the sidewalks. The weather was ideal.

Besides the sombre garb of the city and state officials, and the olive drab of army officers, the colorful clothing of Lord Mayor Titt and members of his entourage blazed picturesquely. The lord mayor wore a brilliant red robe, and black hat with black plume. His aide, F. E. Warbrick Howell, the Manchester city solicitor, wore a magistrate's robes and wig, while Robert Esson, mace bearer for the lord mayor, wore a blue naval uniform, with heavy gold epaulets and loops of gold cord. Mayoress Alice McL. Titt was in the mayoral party.

Among those who reviewed the parade were Mayor Curley, the lord mayor and party, Brig-Gen. Agnew, Lt.-Col. Terrell M. Ragan, Maj. Edward Sampson, Capt. William Harrison, former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, Col. Thomas Sullivan, chairman of the transit commission, and Comdr. Benjamin F. Poole, head of the Boston Police post, American Legion.

SERGT. CAIN HEADS PARADE

The parade was headed by Sergt. Edward Cain and a mounted escort of 11 traffic officers. Deputy Superintendent Goode was chief marshal. His staff included Capt. Louis E. Lutz, department drillmaster, and junior officers. The battalion commanders included Deputy Superintendent McDevitt, Capt. Herbert W. Goodwin and Capt. Harry N. Dickinson, and their adjutants, Lts. John J. Coughlin, William J. Hyland and Harry P. Burns, respectively. Units included in the roster were all the patrol divisions in the city, traffic divisions, riot battalions, Thompson submachine gun squad, motorcycle officers detachment, mounted police detachment, and patrol, utility and ambulance trucks.

In the afternoon, the Common was again the scene of a colorful ceremony as the city of Boston officially observed the 439th anniversary of Columbus's discovery for the benefit of some 8000 spectators.

Uniting in the exercises with Mayor Curley and city officials were Lord Mayor Titt and Lady Titt. Ties of good will were cemented by an exchange of presents and courtesies.

PRESENTS GIVEN LORD MAYOR

Mayor Curley presented the lord mayor and mayoress a Paul Revere silver pitcher and tray which were warmly accepted by the guest in an address in which expressed a feeling that America and England will stand together to further world relations.

From Manchester the lord mayor brought a hand-made chair, newed from an old tree which was a three-foot sapling about the time Christopher Columbus set sail on his voyage of discovery to the new world. This chair he presented to Mayor Curley with the suggestion that it be placed in the City Hall. It contains the seal of the city of Manchester and an inscription reading that it was given to Boston by Manchester Columbus day in 1931.

Mayor Curley, who presided at the exercises which were broadcast over station WNAC, said that 8000 persons were on hand to honor the great navigator whose discovery has made possible the great progress of emancipation of the whole world. To Columbus and Italy, he said, humanity owes not only the discovery of America but the liberty of America. He praised Italy's contribution to the arts and sciences and to the general intellectual progress of the world.

He contrasted the spirit of the Columbus era with the conditions today with so much education and religious activity in the world.,

"It is about time we had less religion in the world and more pity," he said. "It is about time we had less education and more common sense." The mayor was applauded repeatedly.

The lord mayor declares that before leaving Manchester the corporation of the city commissioned him to present the oak chair to the city of Boston with its wishes of good will for the present and the future years and to present a book to the public library of Boston. The mayoress brought greetings from the women of Manchester.

John E. Swift, supreme director of the Knights of Columbus, speaker of the day, declared that Columbus day belongs to the world. He characterized the discoverer as a man of faith, of great courage and a genius. He said in part:

> The discovery of this continent paved the way and made possible the first example of a civil government, instituted to symbolize and to give force to the inherent and inalienable rights of mankind to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. With America came the opportunity to establish in the new world the basis of all liberty, equality of men before law. Columbus became the factor, America the place, and mankind has been the beneficiary. Here on this virgin soil discovered by Columbus was erected a crucible of nations, out of which has emerged the American man.
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> America, consecrated by Columbus at San Salvador, to the greater honor and glory of God, pays tribute today to that spiritual impulse which alike directed the discovery and inspired the fathers in the establishment of a nation. It is our duty on these recurring Columbus days to rededicate our country to the principles of religon; to those ideals of firm faith, of hope and fraternal charity so conspicuous in this Christian mariner.

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NEW MOVE FOR PEACE ON DOCKS

Curley to Confer With Shipping Agents Today

Following an urgent appeal made in his office last night by representatives of the striking longshoremen of the city, Mayor Curley will act today in an effort to bring about peace and close the breach between the strikers' committee and that of the ship operators, which, during the past few days, threatened to bring about a complete lockout of union dock workers.

TELL CASE TO MAYOR

While the Mayor declined to make any statement, following a long conference with the strikers' committee from the Boston district council of the International Longshoremen's Association, it was learned the strikers expressed to him a willingness to return to their jobs and make certain concessions on their demands, pending arrangements to place the entire disagreement once again in the hands of negotiators representing both sides.

Meanwhile, the ship agents themselves, after reiterating their stand and offering strikers such jobs as have not been filled by strike-breakers, if they will come back as individuals, appeared at the State House. They held a long conference with Edward Fisher, chairman of the State Board of Conciliation, placing before him their side of the case.

This morning, they will meet Mayor Curley at the latter's request. They have announced they have no intention of doing any further business with the three locals of the I. L. A. They question the status of Locals 799 and 805, and charge that Local 800 has been repudiated by their national president, Joseph P. Ryan, who, last week, revoked their charter on technical grounds.

The Mayor waited long after his usual time for going home, last night, after he learned the strikers would seek a meeting with him. For more than an hour and a half, he heard the strikers' side of the case, and then assured the leaders he would do everything in his power to bring about peace. The ship agents' committee has thus far refused to accept any outside arbitrator, but it was believed, last night, it would respond to Mayor Curley's invitation to go to City Hall, this morning.

Willing to Return

It is understood the strikers told the Mayor they are willing to go back to their work under the terms of the New York contract. In order not to force a showdown on the big disputed points, however, they will not work during the regular meal hours, for which they want a higher rate of pay than the New York contract provides. If they return to work, they will handle an unlimited sling load until such a time as this and other disputed points are ironed out.

"Our safety is not secure when steamship officials load more than 7000 pounds of freight in a sling load with the lifting machinery tested for a maximum load of 5000 pounds," the strikers asserted in a statement issued last night.

"Our health is not secure when they compel us to work in the hold of a ship from early morning through the entire day and into the night without stopping long enough for us to get something to eat or allow us to get to our homes and change clothing, soaking wet from perspiration.

"All we ask is for conditions that are humane and if we cannot get them, then the right to penalize those responsible for compelling us to work under conditions, which might break our health through sickness or quickly snuff out our lives through accidents."

The strikers insist that extra overtime pay which they desire for working during regular meal hours is in the form of a penalty to be exacted against their employers.

Yesterday Senator John Buckley of Charlestown filed a complaint with Registrar of Motor Vehicles Morgan T. Ryan and with the police authorities against the usage of trucks in transporting the strike breakers to and from the docks. Buckley insisted such use of trucks was not permissible under the law.

The federal government took cognizance of the local strike yesterday, when Charles G. Wood of the United States Department of Labor called upon the Mayor and Chairman Fisher of the State Board to offer the services of his organization to bring about a strike settlement. He sat in with Mayor Curley last night during the conference with the strikers.

Herald 10/14/31

DOCK STRIKE'S END NO NEARER

Ship Owners Threaten to Ignore Union Men Entirely

Prospect of a settlement of the strike of union longshoremen appeared dim today, it was disclosed, following a conference between Mayor Curley, John N. Levins, representing the steamship operators, and Richard Parkhurst of the port authority.

The operators, it was reported, are not inclined to resume relations with the Longshoremen's Union, and unless there is a change in attitude they will continue to adhere to the policy of employing workers as individuals.

The mayor submitted a proposal in behalf of the 1200 men on strike, but Levins said he had no authority to interpret the attitude of the steamship lines and proposed to submit the proposition to the representatives of the lines today. Levins outlined to the mayor what he thought the operators would submit to.

It was definitely learned today that the number of men actually out is estimated at 1200. These have been entirely supplanted by strikebreakers, about 30 per cent. of whom are experienced but non-union. The waterfront was guarded by a heavy cordon of police.

The steamship operators issued a statement charging the present strike is the result of years of friction between employers and dock workers. This statement tended to increase the general tense feeling. The steamship owners presented their view of the case to the state board of conciliation and arbitration, and now both sides have been heard.

DOG CENSUS FOR BOSTON

A petition signed by Robert F. Sellar, managing director of the Animal Rescue League, recommending that all dogs' noses be counted and accounted for when the city's human population is tabulated, is before City Hall officials.

The novel proposal was made to Mayor Curley, and has been under consideration of police officials and, more lately, of the health department. Its purpose is an effort to eliminate stray dogs as much as possible, and thereby eliminate mad dog scares.

COMPLAIN ABOUT GARBAGE COLLECTION

Charging that ash barrels are flipped carelessly over the sidewalks in Dorchester, causing danger to pedestrians, by the collectors, members of the Massachusetts Real Estate Owners Association sent a letter to Mayor Curley last night, calling upon him to remedy conditions.

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New Figures for Courthouse Job

Bids have been received for refigure for the contract to build the Third District Courthouse on Third and Thorndike streets, East Cambridge, according to Brown's Letters. The lowest bid was submitted by L. B. Cadario & Sons of Boston, whose price was $242,500. The other bids were: Crane Construction Company, $244,000; Matthew Cummings Company, $246,000; M. S. Kelliher Company, $251,500; Vappi & Ferguson, $254,600; Benjamin Steinberg Construction Company, $258,000; William T. Powers Company, $259,700; C. H. Cunningham & Son Company, $260,500; C. S. Cunningham & Sons Construction Company, $266,750, and John W. Duff, Inc., $274,600. The architect is Charles R. Greco of Boston.

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Mayor Seeks Dock Strike Settlement

Confers with Chairman of Steamship Operators' Committee and Offers Plan

Aiming at a settlement of the longshoremen's strike under terms that would go far to preclude similar controversies in the future, Mayor Curley devoted much of today to eorts to bring the steamship operators and the union officials into position for negotiations which may bring desired results. He conferred at City Hall this morning with John N. Levins, agent for the American Hawaiian Steamship Company and chairman of the steamship operators' committee, and Richard Parkhurst of the Boston Port Authority, outlining to them the proposal it is understood he received from the strikers' representatives at a conference in his office yesterday.

After the meeting, the Mayor said that Mr. Levins had submitted an outline of what he thought the steamsnip companies might consider in bringing about an end to the strike. The mayor himself submitted a definite proposal in behalf of the 1200 men who are out, he said, adding, however, that he did not thing the time was ripe to disclose the nature of the proposals from either side and that further conferences would be held this afternoon.

While no one would discuss the situation openly there appears to be ground for the belief that the striking longshoremen are ready to waive their various demands if they are taken back to work in a group. In a statement yesterday, the steamship operators and contracting stevedores announced that applications of strikers for re-employment would be received at the individual piers and would be given consideration when jobs became available.

Mr. Levins said that the steamship group would meet at the offices of the American-Hawaiian Line this afternoon to receive from him his report of the City Hall conference. The mayor, he said, was taking a broad view of the situation, and hoped for an agreement at this time that would be effective in the future also, and one that might be reached without "crushing" the men.

While the mayor declined to discuss what transpired at the conference yesterday it was reported from other sources that the delegates of the union informed him that the longshoremen are anxious to return to work in a body and to concede some of the disputed questions.

Charles G. Wood, conciliator of the United States Department of Labor, sat in as an observer at the meeting in the mayor's office yesterday and announced later that he planned to request conferences with both factions. Officers of the Boston District Council, I. L. A., and members of the steamship operators' committee said this morning that they had not yet received a request from him.

As a result of the protest by Senator John Buckley of Charlestown, filed witn Registrar of Motor Vehicles Morgan T. Ryan and with the police regarding use of trucks in transporting strike-breakers between their homes and the piers, it was intimated this morning that the employers probably would substitute busses for the trucks.

Joseph F. Connolly, secretary of the Boston District Council, announced that union delegates would meet during the day at headquarters in the Grain & Flour Exchange Building, 177 Milk street.

The situation along the waterfront continues unchanged with all steamers in port being worked by non-union men. A large number of steamers are due to make port during the week, creating one of the busiest spells since the strike has been in effect. No delay in the work is expected since the operators report that men in unlimited numbers have reported to the steamship agents seeking work.

Mayor Views Work of Animal League

"I had no idea you handled so many animals or were doing such a tremendous work." The speaker was Mayor James M. Curley, and he was making a tour of inspection of the Animal Rescue League at its headquarters, 51 Carver street. The League is the official poundkeeper of the city of Boston, and it was, therefore, a semi-official visit His Honor was today paying to the institution which for more than a generation has set an example in the humane treatment of unlicensed animals, restored thousands of strays to their homes and provided an object-lesson in what progressive cities may do to relieve their police of the often unpleasant duties which necessarily fall to them in the effort to enforce the licensing laws.

Mayor Curley evinced the keenest interest in all he saw; the free clinic, where almost 10,000 small animals receive medical and surgical treatment; the neat kennels, where from fifty to 125 dogs often are housed; the pleasant yards where the animals are received and later given exercise, and the humane literature which is helping educate our people in the proper care and treatment of their pets. Like many another interested visitor, he declined to enter the killing room, but he listened with interest to a description of the improved electric cages, where, it is said, 100 per cent efficiency has been attained in the painless disposition of cats and dogs. He was accompanied on his round of the institution by managing director Robert F. Sellar, William E. Brigham, editor of Our Fourfooted Friends, Mrs. George Shepley Selfridge, one of the oldest friends of the League, Miss Helen Leighton and Frederick O. Houghton of the board of directors, and others.

"You must render an immense service to the boys and girls who have pets," said Mayor Curley, "not only in watching out for their animals when they are lost but in teaching them and their elders how to care for them properly and give them also the utmost happiness in life. The city also is under obligation for the faithful service the League renders in its behalf, and I hope the Animal Rescue League and its supporters always will count me as a friend."

The mayor's visit today was peculiarly auspicious, as Director Sellar has laid before the city government a proposal for an annual listing of dogs by the police, with the task of enforcing the law and collecting unlicensed animals from the homes, entrusted to the League, instead of catching them in the streets, as has been the custom in the past.

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LEVINS TAKES PROPOSAL TO ASSOCIATES

Their Decision Will Be Submitted Later by Curley to Longshoremen

Mayor Curley conferred with John N. Levins, chairman of the steamship operators committee, today in an attempt to bring the longshoremen's strike to an end.

Following the conference, which lasted more than an hour, the mayor said that Levins would meet the other operators this afternoon and tell them the proposition advanced by the striking men.

What this proposal was, the mayor declined to state, but said that he would again confer with the strikers today after he is informed of the decision of the steamship line operators.

Levins told newspapermen that he had no authority to comment on what attitude the operators would take as to the strikers' proposal.

The situation became almost a lockout with the action of steamer operators yesterday in declaring they were willing to employ longshoremen as individuals but not as union members, claiming they had no standing since the charter of one was suspended and the other two supported the suspended group.

ANXIOUS TO WORK

Longshoremen appealed to the mayor and presented their side of the case to him yesterday afternoon at the City Hall

The mayor declined to comment on what had transpired at the meeting but it was learned authoritatively that longshoremen's representatives told the mayor that the men were anxious to return to work and are willing to make certain concessions to agents and work under the New York agreement.

While this conference was under way at the City Hall, steamer agents were appearing before the State Arbitration and Conciliation Board at the State House to present their version of the dock situation.

U. S. AGENT ON HAND

Chairman Edward Fisher, of the State Board, announced last night that his board has now heard both sides of the case and has taken the matter under advisement. He said any decision of the board would be presented at once to Gov. Ely.

Another development was the possible entraance of the U. S. Department of Labor into the dispute. Federal Conciliator Charles G. Wood, who has been surveying the textile situation at Lawrence, was in the mayor's office yesterday as an observer.

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CURLEY TO TRY TO SETTLE DOCK TROUBLE TODAY

Strike Now Lockout as Operators Refuse to Treat With Unions

WILLING TO TAKE INDIVIDUALS BACK

Hold Organization Broken By Suspension of Charter

Mayor Curley will endeavor this morning to end the longshoremen's strike, which virtually became a lockout yesterday when the steamship operators refused to treat with the unions and indicated their intention to smash them.

A proposal from the strikers will be presented to the steamship operators at 1 o'clock, when they have been invited to confer with the mayor at City Hall.

While the mayor declined to tell what happened at yesterday's conference, it was learned from other sources that the longshoremen told him that they are anxious to return to work in a body, realizing that strike-breakers are available in unlimited numbers.

Steamship operators are willing to employ the longshoremen as individuals, but not as members of the unions, which they insist have no standing since the charter of one local was suspended by President J. P. Ryan of the International Longshoremen's Association, and the two other locals indorsed the suspended unit.

The waterfront, still guarded by details of police ready to cope with a riot, was tense yesterday as the mayoral conference was held, and became even more tense when the steamship operators, after a conference, issued a statement attacking the strike leaders.

TEXT OF STATEMENT

The statement follows:

The present strike is the culmination of many years of unsatisfactory relations between the employing steamship lines and the waterfront workers. Some radicals among the union officials and delegates, together with some radicals among the membership, have been responsible for this condition.

They have provoked and encouraged frequent disputes and unnecessary stoppages of work. They have proceeded in direct violation of the agreement with employers. They have refused to discuss reasonably the necessary modification of the former unjust and discriminatory working rules and conditions. They have repudiated the leadership of the International president of the longshoremen's association.

It is the firm belief of the steamship lines that they do not represent the opinion of the many fair-minded men among Boston waterfront workers. The steamship lines have been obliged to employ men outside the union membership in order to keep the commerce of the port moving. These men are rendering a satisfactory service. The available jobs are being rapidly filled. Such of the former workers as desire to be re-employed may apply at the individual docks, and they will be given consideration when jobs are available.

The conditions of employment are those under which union men at New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Norfolk are working contentedly. The basic wage is 85 cents an hour straight time and $1.20 per hour overtime, and there has been no attempt to cut the union scale of wages.

J. N. Levins, chairman of the steamship operators' committee, explained that each year the steamship interests meet with the international heads in New York and negotiate a wage scale for the whole north Atlantic district. Individual agreements are then made at each port as to working conditions.

While Mayor Curley was conferring with the longshoremen for nearly an hour at City Hall, the steamship men were giving their version to the state board of conciliation and arbitration at the State House. Chairman Edward Fisher later said that his board now has both sides, and the case has been taken under advisement. Gov. Ely will be notified of any decision made by the board.

The United States department of labor officially entered the strike yesterday when Federal Conciliator Charles G. Wood sat in as an observer at the Curley conference.

Another development of the day was the filing of a protest with the Boston police department and the state registry of motor vehicles by State Senator John Buckley of Charlestown against the transportation of strikebreakers to and from the waterfront in trucks. He emphasized that the trucks were registered for the transportation of freigh and the conveying of human beings constituted a violation of the law.

Confirming the fears of many union men that unless they return to work quickly as union men they will return only as individuals, came the announcement from Samuel Aiken, vice-president in charge of operations of the Mooremack line, which plies between Boston and Gulf ports and has facilities at the Hoosac docks in Charlestown that from now on his line will employ non-union men. The Mooremack line, he explained, was using union labor at considerably more expense than other coastwise lines which use non-union workers, and hereafter his line will use non-union labor.

Thomas H. Mahoney, counsel for the longshoremen, after the conference yesterday reiterated the desire of the union men to negotiate with the steamship men the two points at issue, the poundage of the sling load and pay for meal time work.

BUYS 5000 TICKETS FOR B. C.-HOLY CROSS GAME

Vice-President Louis E. Kirstein of Filene's, yesterday, asked Mayor Curley for an allotment of 5000 tickets for the Thanksgiving day game in Harvard stadium between Boston College and Holy Cross for Boston's unemployment fund.

Mr. Kirstein has arranged to locate a booth in Filene's to dispose of the tickets.

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EVANGELIST ASKED TO VISIT PHILADELPHIA

Mayor Seeks Agreement Similar to Curley's

PHILADELPHIA, Oct 13 (A. P.)—Mrs Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton has been invited to conduct a revival service here at the conclusion of her Boston engagement. If she accepts the invitation she will receive the same proposition from Mayor Harry A. Mackey that was made to her by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston—to give part of her receipts to the unemployed.

The evangelist has been invited here by Rev William A. Davis of the Open Door Gospel Mission, who said he expects to receive her acceptance within a few days. She would preach here from Oct 20 to Oct 25.

Informed tonight of the possibility of the evangelist's visit here, Mayor Mackey said he "most certainly" would ask her to contribute part of her collection to local charities, as she is doing in Boston.

"Charity and religion go hand in hand," the mayor said. "People who want to evangelize the community ought to feed them at the same time."

Mayor Mackey made it plain Mrs Hutton would not be allowed to preach here unless her meeting is vouched for by responsible authorities "such as the ministerial association" and not by "unimportant speakers who seek publicity."

Mrs Hutton held a meeting here 18 years ago. At that time, Mr Davis said, she made "innnumerable" converts.

Just what Mrs Hutton will do after she leaves Boston, at the end of her three evangelical meetings Sunday, is not yet decided. She has received the invitation from Philadelphia—and the half-and-half proposition from Mayor Mackey—and she also has invitations from a dozen other large cities.

Washington, D C. has repeatedly asked her to come there. She hopes to make this the next stop, but the plans are not definite.

"Mr Hutton and I want to get back to Los Angeles and the Temple by Thanksgiving, at the latest," she declared after her sermon last night. "Our followers there are planning a huge wedding reception for us.

"Mayor Mackey of Philadelphia has made the same proposition that Mayor Curley here did—to turn over half of the collections to the city's unemployed. Of course, I am eager to do all I can for unfortunates, anywhere, and it will be a pleasure to help those in Philadelphia.

"But we will not know for a few days yet just where we will go from here."

GLOBE 10/14/31

LONGSHOREMEN PUT CASE BEFORE MAYOR

Steamship Officials Visit State Conciliation Board

"For our safety and our health we are fighting," was the statement of a committee representing the striking longshoremen, during a conference that lasted more than an hour and a half at the office of Mayor James M. Curley at City Hall yesterday afternoon.

"Our safety is not secure," said the spokesman for the committee, "when steamship officials load more than 7000 pounds of freight in a sling load, with the lifting machine being tested for a maximum load of 5000 pounds.

"Our health is not secure when they compel us to work in the hold of a ship from early morning through the entire day and into the night without stopping long enough for us to get something to eat, or allow us to get to our homes and change clothing which is soaking wet from sweat."

Mayor Asks Conference Today

After the meeting Mayor Curley announced that he did not wish to make any statement on the situation, but he will ask representatives of the steamship lines to confer with him at City Hall at 10 o'clock this morning in an effort to arrive at a solution of the problem.

The visit of the union committee to City Hall was made while steamship agents were at the State House placing their side of the situation before Edward Fisher and members of the State Board of Conciliation and Arbitration.

John N. Levins, agent for the American-Hawaiian Line, chairman of the employers' conference committee, said after leaving the offices of the State board that the committee called at the State House at the request of the State board.

Chairman Fisher issued a statement to the effect that the meeting lasted more than an hour and the board will take the matter under advisement. Because of the Lawrence strike situation, it will be impossible to start deliberations on the longshoremen's situation at present, he said.

While these conferences were taking place Senator John Buckley of Charlestown was filing a complaint with the Boston Police Department and Registrar of Motor Vehicles Morgan Ryan, in which he charged that the law is being violated by the use of motor trucks for transportation of strikebreakers when the trucks are licensed for moving freight only.

Charles G. Wood, conciliator of the United States Department of Labor, entered the situation yesterday and sought conferences with both sides for the purpose of offering the good offices of his department in bringing about a settlement. He sat, as an observer, through the meeting at Mayor Curley's office.

Break With Local Unions

A meeting of the steamship representatives, held yesterday morning, was followed by a statement to the effect that the employers had voted to do no more business with the longshoremen's unions in Boston, pending a decision from International Pres Joseph P. Ryan of New York as to the status of the local unions with the I. L. A.

The announcement stated that this decision was concurred in by representatives of the Cunard, White Star, Luckenbach, Dollar and the American Hawaiian Lines, and that the strike is the culmination of many years of unsatisfactory relations with the unions for a number of years past.

The statement continues: "Radicals in the longshoremen's union have been responsible for this condition. We have been obliged to employ nonunion workers to keep the commerce of the port moving and these men are giving satisfactory service. Available jobs are being rapidly filled and such of the former workers who desire to be employed may apply at the different piers and will be given jobs when available. These men are working under conditions the same as prevail at New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Norfolk."

Thomas H. Mahony, attorney for the union, said last night: "I cannot see how the steamship agents can say that satisfactory service is being given by the nonunion men now at work on ships in this port when figures show that less than one-third cargo weight is moved by these men than would be moved by regular longshoremen in the same time.

"Some of the crews of nonunion men number more than double the number in a gang of regulars, which makes the cost of moving freight about six times what it would cost with the union men on the jobs.

"Not only is the cost of freight-moving much higher, but the reports show that much damage is done to freight, as well as to the ships and the piers where they are docked.

Men Ready to Negotiate

"The men have accepted the New York agreement on the basic wage of 85 cents an hour and $1.20 for overtime, but claim the right as provided in the laws of the International Longshoremen's Association, to settle their own port conditions.

"The men are ready to return to work under the New York wage scale; they will work the unlimited sling load with the minimum crew of 11 men as has been done during the past year and on the question of pay for work during meal hours, they will do no work during the meal hours which will make unnecessary the penalty pay scale which they ask for.

The men will sit down and negotiate with the employers these two questions, after the men return to work and settle their grievances as has been the custom for the past 20 years."

CURLEY ASKS GANDHI TO VISIT BOSTON

Miriam and Lilabati Ghose, American girls, sail today for London conveying American greetings to Mahatma Gandhi and among them is the following invitation of Mayor Curley to visit Boston:

"The city of Boston is desirous that Mahatma Gandhi, in the event that he visits America, so arrange his itinerary that opportunity may be afforded to welcome him as guest. My understanding is that Mariam and Lilabati Ghose are to meet him in London shortly and I would greatly appreciate your requesting them to deliver this invitation in person."

CHARGE ASH-COLLECTING CONTRACT IS VIOLATED

The contract for collection of ashes and garbage in Dorchester is being violated, according to charges of members of the Massachusetts Real Estate Owners' Association, Inc, at their meeting last night in Dorchester.

The association sent a letter to Mayor Curley, charging that ash barrels were dropped from collection trucks and not only damaged by the fall, but left on the sidewalks, where they became a source of danger to pedestrians. The association said the contract calls for two collections of garbage a week, but only one collection is made.

Pres Thomas Cudmore presided at the meeting. The letter of complaint sent to the Mayor was signed by Mrs Hannah M. Connors, secretary.

MAYOR STARTS DRIVE TO SLASH FIRE RATES

Acts as Move to Reopen Fire College Is Begun

Aided by Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin, Mayor James M. Curley has begun a new campaign to bring about a reduction of fire insurance rates. The commissioner has ordered Chief Fox and his six deputies to prepare written reports which will be used in support of the Mayor's contentions that rates can be materially decreased without causing insurance companies financial hardship.

Mr Curley moved in the matter when he learned that a committee on fire insurance rates, whose members are mostly all identified with the Boston Chamber of Commerce and the Boston Board of Fire Underwriters, have been quietly working through several weeks for the reopening of the Fire College, so-called. The college closed several years ago.

Operation of this college, requiring expenditure of considerable sums, would tend further to keep down fire losses. Mr Curley is convinced that, before any more of the taxpayers' funds are devoted to this end, the fire insurance companies themselves should make a direct contribution to these expenses, indirectly, by a 10 to 15 percent reduction in rates.

Armed with the reports of the deputies later this week, he will make direct appeal to the Board of Fire Underwriters.

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MAYOR IN PARLEY ON DOCK STRIKE



MAYOR CURLEY JOHN N. LEVINS

Seeking peace in big dock strike. Mayor Curley and John N. Levins, chairman of steamship operators' committee, conferring on situation at City Hall today in new effort to end controversy. Hope is felt for an early settlement of the trouble. (Staff photo.)

MAYOR COMMENDED FOR REQUEST TO AIMEE

More than a dozen letters from various parts of the country were received by Mayor Curley today commending him for asking Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton to share her profits with the unemployed. One from a Denver, Colo., physician enclosing a verse setting forth his ideas on the revivalist. Another from Nashville, Tenn.

GLOBE 10/14/31

SHORTEST BOSTON STREET UNDER WAY

Boston's shortest street is now under construction on the State House lawn. Perhaps, it should not be called street, but should bear the title of "walk."

It will run from Beacon st a few feet up the lawn of the State House, coming to an end at the pedestal on which will be placed a statue of the late Henry Cabot Lodge. A section of the iron fence protecting the lawn has been removed and an ornamental granite flanked gateway will mark the entrance to this shortest street.

Passersby walk in, read the inscription on the base of the Lodge memorial and go their ways. The new street does not appear as long as the width of Beacon st.

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GRID TICKETS AT FILENE'S

Kirstein Offers Aid in Jobless Game Sale

Vice-President Louis E. Kirstein of the William Filene's Sons Company yesterday called on Mayor Curley at City Hall and offered the facilities of the store at Washington and Summer streets for the sale of 5000 tickets for the Boston College-Holy Cross football game which will be held Thanksgiving afternoon in the Harvard Stadium for the benefit of the needy.

Mr. Kirstein informed the Mayor that the management of Filene's would place a booth in the main lobby of the store and assign ticket-sellers to the booth at its own expense.

Tyson's and Foster's ticket agencies have also offered their facilities to the city, agreeing to sell tickets for the charity game without adding the usual service charge.

RECORD 10/14/31

Curley Calls Ship Men to Strike Parley

Mayor Curley has called on representatives of ship owners involved in the longshoremen's strike to confer with him at his office in City Hall at 10 a. m. today.

The mayor made this peace move after a lengthy conference late yesterday with a committee of strikers, who called at City Hall shortly after Charles Woods, conciliator for the U. S. Department of Labor, had held a private conference with the mayor.

The decision to ask the Mayor to enter the controversy as peacemaker followed the revoking of the charter of one of the three union locals of the longshoremen by International President Joseph P. Ryan, who last week condemned the strike.

Ryan's revocation was based on the ground that the local had not paid a per capita tax for nine months.

Ship operators also conferred yesterday and it was afterward stated they would appear before the state board of conciliation and arbitration. The strikers have already placed their grievances before the board.

The loading and unloading of ships by strikebreakers continued all day, with an ominous quiet pervading the docks and piers along the waterfront. Police guarded each ship being worked and a heavy detail was stationed in the trouble zone after reports reached headquarters that strikers planned to set fire to wharfage.

HERALD 10/14/31

CURLEY GETS MAIL RELATING TO AIMEE

Mayor Complimented by Correspondents from Many States

Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton is responsible for a substantial increase in the daily mail of Mayor Curley.

Correspondents, residing outside of New England and as far west as Colorado, had monopolized, up to yesterday, the privilege of complimenting the mayor and expressing the unanimous opinion that Boston's unemployment relief fund will not benefit from Mrs. Hutton's revival.

A Denver physician, who claimed personal acquaintance with the evangelist, supported a personal letter to the mayor with an original poem for which he chose as his subjects Mrs. Hutton and her husband.

Another correspondent from Nashville, Tenn., contributed an interesting letter, in which he predicted that the announcement of the amount of financial support given the unemployment relief fund will have a marked bearing upon the future success of Mrs. Hutton in the evangelistic field.

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STRIKE IS UP TO LOCAL UNION, MAYOR TOLD

Longshoremen Bar International Officers From Parley; Say Issue Is on Sling Load

International officers have no jurisdiction over the Boston strike of longshoremen, a committee of the local men charged today, as Mayor Curley moved for the recall to the city of Joseph P. Ryan, international president.

The mayor's move came after a meeting with John N. Levins, representing steamship operators, and Richard Parkhurst, secretary of the Boston Port Authority.

Ryan went back to New York a week ago when Boston longshoremen repudiated him as a leader in strike negotiations.

LOAD IS CHIEF ISSUE

Mayor Curley said today he would summon Ryan if the local committee did not take steps to have him represent their cause.

Through Atty. Thomas H. Mahony, counsel for Boston District Council of the Longshoresmen's Union, the strikers declared Ryan had no jurisdiction over the questions involved.

"The agreement negotiated by the International Association relates to hours of labor and wages," the statement read in part.

"So far as these hours and wages are concerned, the men have accepted and abided by such agreement. The International Association has no further jurisdiction.

"The strike is not the culmination of any unsatisfactory relations but is an attempt to force an unlimited sling load with an insufficient crew of men to handle it.

SUPPER PAY CUT

"The other cause relates to the supper hour. The ship operators insist upon the men cutting down this meal and working for ordinary overtime. The men were paid double overtime before.

"The issues have been submitted to each local organization and to a mass meeting of the district organization. The men are unanimously in accord with the position of the longshoremen's committee, and the statement of ship operators that the committee does not represent the opinions of the workers is wholly false and intended to deceive."

TRANSCRIPT 10/15/31

Sad, Sad Story of the Boston Airport

Contract Just Let to Get Highest Rating and Now a Higher Rating Is Announced

Boston's Municipal Airport will not have the highest rating of the Department of Commerce after all. Just as the contract was signed last night by Mayor Curley for a 220-acre enlargement to give Boston an A1A airport, it was learned that the new Department of Commerce airport regulations set the highest rating for airports at ATA; the same requirements for night lighting and facilities but requiring a larger landing area.

To obtain an ATA rating, an airport must have runways of 3500 feet in all directions, 500 feet wide and clear approaches, or it must have two runways 5000 feet long (one in the prevailing wind) and 1000 feet wide. The 3500-foot runways must cross at angles of not less than forty degrees and the 5000 foot runways at angles of not less than sixty degrees. Obstructions must be at such a distance from the landing areas as to provide a ten-to-one gliding angle.

Under the contract for $490,500, which has just been awarded to the R. C. Huffman Corporation of Cleveland, an A1A rating, will be obtained but it will not be possible to get an ATA rating unless a further fill is contracted for with the three-quarters of a million dollars that remains of the appropriation authorized. However, there is much doubt as to whether Boston needs an ATA rating, except to achieve its long ambition of having the highest rating. Commenting on the new rating, Park Commissioner William P. Long, in charge of the Airport, said: "The Department of Commerce changes its regulations faster than we can keep up with them." The A1A rating has been standing for two years.

GLOBE 10/15/31

MANSFIELD AGAIN TO BE CANDIDATE

Loser in 1929 Race to Run for Mayor in 1933

Frederick W. Mansfield, president of the Massachusetts Bar Association, intends to be a candidate for Mayor of Boston in 1933. While the attorney himself has given out no public statement regarding his intentions, it was learned this morning from a source close to him that he has already decided to make a second fight for the Mayoralty.

Mr Mansfield ran for Mayor in 1929, but was defeated by Mayor Curley.

HERALD 10/15/31

RYAN MUST ACT IN DOCK STRIKE

Operators Will Deal Only With Union Head, They Tell Curley

MAYOR TO INVITE HIM IF WORKERS REFUSE

Peace in the longshoremen's strike rests on the conciliatory efforts of Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association.

Following the flat declaration of local steamship operators that they will deal only with Ryan, who quit the conferences here when the men refused to accept the New York agreement, Mayor Curley declared that if the men will not invite Ryan he will do so.

The wage conference committee of the men, who rejected Ryan's original proposal for the settlement of the strike, met last night but made no definite decision on inviting the international president. They will resume their discussion this morning.

The workers have expressed a willingness to concede nearly all their original demands if they can be taken back in a body, but the operators thus far have held the position that they will deal with the men only individually.

Mayor Curley yesterday met with John N. Levins, representing the operators, and Richard Parkhurst of the port authority. It was after this meeting that the operators announced that they will deal only with Ryan and will not recognize representatives of the three local unions.

Later the mayor met with a delegation of longshoremen and impressed on them the necessity of summoning Ryan.

Last night Mayor Curley issued this statement:

> The steamship agents insist that any dealing on the question done by them must be done through the head of the International Longshoremen's Union, Mr. Ryan, basing their position on the fact that their steamers do business along the entire Atlantic coast and on the fact that the International Longshoremen's Union covers the entire coast and rather than deal individually with local unions in each city, they insist on dealing with one chief agency—the international and President Ryan.

The wage conference committee of the unions met last night at the Grain & Flour Exchange building to discuss the mayor's demand that they invite Ryan to Boston, but the discussion was so protracted, both for and against such action, that no argument was reached.

The committee finally decided to adjourn until 9 A. M. to discuss the matter further.

Thomas H. Mahony, attorney for the union, last night issued a statement, telling of President Ryan's connection with the controversy. It follows in part:

Mr. Ryan came to Boston without being requested to do so by the local unions and took part in the negotiations which were then going on with both parties friendly and about ready to reach an agreement. By his talk and actions in opposition to the union committee he convinced the employers' committee that the Boston men were asking for something that did not belong to them, even though what they were asking for were conditions they have had for many years.

Mr. Ryan did more by his opposition to the Boston union in forcing a strike than the steamship operators did. The operators were treating the situation with a friendly, open mind when he convinced them that the only terms in question were the terms of the contract signed by the international committee at New York.

I did not sit in on the conference where Mr. Ryan created all the trouble, but the reports of the union committee members prove that the facts are as I have stated them.

In reply to the steamship operators that the strike is the culmination of years of unsatisfactory relations, I say the strike was caused by the steamship agents trying to force conditions on the men that are dangerous to health and safety.

For years, it has been the practice to allow the men who started to work early in the morning, time off between 5 and 7 P. M. to go home, get a hot meal, and when necessary, change their clothing before starting in for a long stretch of night work.

In every contract, a penalty clause provided that when the men were kept at work during these hours, they would be paid at double the prevailing rate of wages. This clause was for the purpose of making it unprofitable for the employers to work the men, unless it was a case of extreme emergency.

Never before has this clause been questioned by the employers in the many years that they have been doing business with the union, but with Mr. Ryan walking uninvited into the situation and expressing his opinions, then the employers had a change of heart and followed Mr. Ryan, when they saw the way to save a few dollars.

As far as Mr. Ryan and the employers charging that the strike was unauthorized, the committee acted, when putting the strike into effect, according to instructions voted by the members of the three unions in formal meetings and by a vote of the three memberships in mass meeting assembled which sustained the action of the committee.

MAYOR'S ASSISTANT SECRETARY HONORED

About 200 friends and city officials last night attended a testimonial dinner to Frank T. Pedonti, assistant secretary to the mayor, in the Swiss room at the Copley-Plaza. The dinner was given to Mr. Pedonti on the eve of his trip to Europe and Italy. Joseph Tomasello was toastmaster.

Speakers included Mayor Curley, Thomas A. J. Johnson, John J. Curley, Cornelius A. Reardon, and Penal Commissioner William G. O'Hare.

CURLEY PRAISES WORK OF ANIMAL LEAGUE

Declares City Under an Obligation For Service Performed

Mayor Curley visited the Animal Rescue League headquarters on Carver street and accompanied by Robert F. Sellar, managing director, and a group of the board of directors inspected the various departments yesterday afternoon.

The mayor said when he completed his inspection, "I had no idea you handled so many animals or were doing such a tremendous work." After visiting the free clinic, where almost 10,000 small animals receive medical and surgical treatment, and the kennels where from 50 to 150 dogs are often housed, he said: "The city is under an obligation for the faithful service the league renders in its behalf, and I hope the Animal Rescue League and its supporters will always count me as a friend."

GLOBE 10/15/31

MAYOR CURLEY SPEAKER AS DR MATHER IS FETED

Mayor James M. Curley was the speaker at the reception given to Dr Kirtley Fletcher Mather, president of the Twentieth Century Club, at the clubhouse, Joy st, last evening. Mayor Curley spoke on the unemployment situation.

Dr and Mrs Mather, assisted by the vice president of the club, Dr Lee S. McCollester, received the guests and members. Dr Mather gave an address of welcome and outlined the work of the club for the coming season.

A musical program and dancing brought the program to a close. The committee in charge included Mrs Wilman Adams, Mrs John K. Allen, Miss Helen Cheever, Miss Frances Lavender, Mrs Edwin Atkins, Miss Anna Bancroft, Eugene Jackson, Baron Kurt, Fred Tucker, David Niles, Rev George Paine and Butler Wilson.

RECORD 10/15/31

Mayor Asks DeGlane and Londos Meet for Title for Unemployed

By S. J. MAHONEY

Henri De Glane against Jim Londos in a world's championship wrestling match is the attraction that Mayor Curley of this city suggests for the Boston Daily Record and Sunday Advertiser Fund for the Unemployed.

Mayor Curley believes that this would be the greatest card ever offered to the patrons of the sport in this city, and the match if arranged for Nov. 3, Election Night, would definitely settle who is the real champion of the world.

His honor points to the fact that each is claiming the championship crown and, as a result of this, there is considerable mystery as to who is the title holder.

A contest to a finish, he believes, would dispel the fog that envelops the wrestling situation, and he is confident that the Boston Garden would be the proper place to settle the matter.

Matchmaker Fabiani of the Boston Garden will give $10,000 to the Fund for the Unemployed if the bout is decided there, and 25 per cent of the receipts of the show will also be donated.

Mayor Curley says that sports patrons have been good to the wrestlers, and as there is a vast number of devotees of the mat game who are not active at present because of the business depression, here is a splendid chance for the two leading grapplers, De Glane and Londos, to do something for the men who have so generously supported them in the past.

As winter is approaching, His Honor believes that a large amount of money can in this way be obtained by The Daily Record and Sunday Advertiser for the fund that will serve to relieve much suffering during the "melancholy days."

The first move of the mayor was to send a letter to Paul Bowser, who is said to have a contract with De Glane to appear here for him in several bouts. Here is a copy of the letter which Mayor Curley sent to the well known promoter:

Mr. Paul Bowser
115 Chauncy st.,
Boston, Mass.
Dear Sir:

The management of the Boston Sunday Advertiser and the Boston Daily Record Unemployment Fund have submitted a proposition to me, which in view of the support that the public of New England has accorded wrestlers under your management in my opinion justifies me in urging that you arrange at once for a championship wrestling bout at the Boston Garden, between Henri De Glane and Jim Londos.

Arrangements can be made for this bout to be held at the Boston Garden upon Nov. 3, which in Boston is election night, and which unquestionably would result in every ticket for the affair being sold.

It is the purpose of the Boston Sunday Advertiser and the Daily Record management to donate one fourth of the gross receipts of the affair to the Public Welfare Department of the City of Boston, to aid the needy and unemployed.

I have been informed further that the matchmaker at the Boston Garden, Hay Fabiani, has agreed if the match takes place at the Boston Garden, to contribute personally the sum of $10,000 to the unemployed.

An opportunity such as this to be of service to the citizenship of Boston rarely presents itself, and I know of no reason which would justify refusal upon your part in this good work.

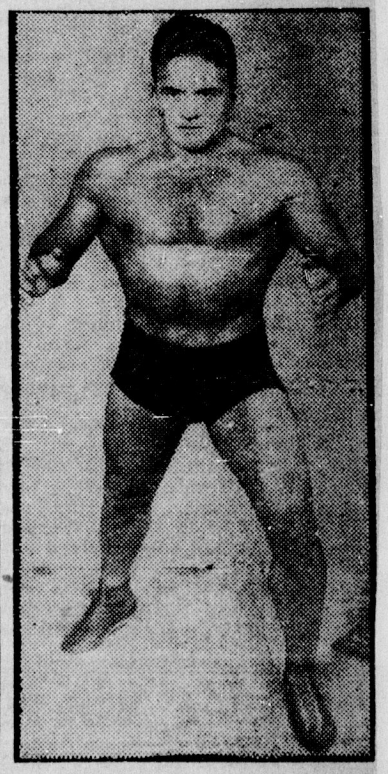
Will you kindly wire me at once that you will accept, so that arrangements may proceed without delay?

Sincerely,

(Signed) JAMES M. CURLEY,
Mayor.

Mayor's Office, Boston, Oct. 14, 1931

Sought by Mayor



Jimmy Londos, wrestling champion in some parts, who is sought by Mayor Curley to meet Henri DeGlane, champion in other parts, in a big charity tussle. His Honor is hot after the match, but no definite agreement is in sight.

MAYOR IN NEW PEACE MOVE IN DOCK STRIKE

An effort to have Joseph Ryan head of the International Longshoremen's Union, come to Boston to arbitrate the outlawed dock strike here will be made by Mayor Curley, it was announced yesterday.

The mayor will endeavor to have Ryan reinstate the striking Boston locals he recently suspended and then treat with the steamship companies.

John N. Levins, representing the companies, told the mayor, in a conference yesterday, that the companies would deal only with Ryan and not with the local unions direct.

A meeting of the striking locals, to consider the question of asking Ryan to come here, was held last night.

POST 10/15/31

CONTRACT FOR AIRPORT JOB

Cleveland Firm Gets It on $490,500 Bid

Mayor Curley late yesterday awarded the contract of $490,500 for expanding the East Boston airport to the R. C. Huffman Construction Company of Cleveland, the lowest of six bidders seeking the big job.

A week will be given the company to ship its equipment here before starting the work of pumping about 2,300,000 cubic yards of fill from the harbor bottom to the present mud flats adjoining the airport, thus increasing the size of the flying field by 220 acres.

The Cleveland company offered to perform the work for $259,525 less than the next lowest bidder, the Bay State Dredging Company of East Boston, which put in a bid of $750,025.

Other bidders in order were: Coleman Brothers, Inc., of this city, $796,850; Central Dredging Company of Chicago, $869,000; Trimount Dredging Company of this city, $871,250, and A. G. Tomaselio & Son, Inc., of this city, $991,575.

GLOBE 10/15/31

STRIKERS MAY CALL PRES RYAN TO BOSTON

Longshoremen to Consult Union Attorney Today

A meeting that started shortly after a committee of the striking longshoremen's unions left the office of Mayor Curley at City Hall yesterday afternoon, and lasted until nearly midnight at the union's headquarters in the Grain and Flour Exchange Building, failed to decide whether International Pres Joseph P. Ryan of the International Longshoremen's Association should be called to this city to settle the strike.

No information was given out by the committee, but it was learned that the members went into session soon after being informed by Mayor Curley that the steamship operators would do business only with Pres Ryan, not with the local unions.

The discussion centered on the question of calling in Pres Ryan and having a showdown as to his authority. A number of committeemen were in favor of having him called here, while others opposed recognizing him in any way.

The matter will be presented to Thomas H. Mahony, attorney for the union, this morning and his advice will be given to the committee before noon.

Mayor's Efforts Fail

Two conferences held with Mayor Curley at his office in City Hall yesterday failed to develop any prospect for an early ending of the longshoremen's strike. Last night, the employing steamship operators were firm in their decision not to do business with the local unions.

Mayor Curley, after the second conference, announced that he had received word that the employers would do business only with Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, with which the local unions are affiliated. He further said that the steamship companies had decided to do business along the entire Atlantic coast with Mr Ryan, and not with local unions.

He said that, although the situation appeared to be deadlocked, he will use every means at his command to bring peace and restore normal conditions to the Port of Boston.

The first conference was held during the morning with John N. Levins, agent of the American-Hawaiian Line, chairman of the operators' conference committee, who was accompanied to City Hall by Richard Parkhurst, representing the Boston Port Authority.

To these men, Mayor Curley presented the situation as explained to him Tuesday afternoon by the union committee. This conference continued for more than an hour, Mr Levins outlining the position of the operators.

Operators Stand Pat

It is understood that Mr Levins stated the steamship operators are standing pat on their decision to refuse the local men the right to negotiate port conditions.

This decision, it was said, is based on the statement of Pres Ryan that the wage conference committee has the right to accept conditions for every port along the Atlantic coast.

The action of Ryan in declaring suspended the charter of Local 800 of Boston for delay in the payment of the per capita tax strengthens the operators in their determination to do no business with the strikers.

Mr Levins will report to Mayor Curley today the decision arrived at by all the local agents meeting at his office yesterday afternoon. After receipt of this report Mayor Curley will report to the union committee.

Union Attorney's Statement

Thomas H. Mahony, attorney for the union, in a statement issued yesterday, said in part:

"I want to make clear to the people of Boston that the suspension of the charter of Local 800, I. L. A., was not an act of punishment for refusal to obey any orders of International Pres Joseph P. Ryan in relation to this strike, as the steamship operators wish the people of Boston to believe.

"The Boston Longshoremen's Union did not refuse to obey any orders that Pres Ryan had authority to issue. Every legal order he ever issues is obeyed to the letter, but when Mr Ryan, in violation of the laws of his union, attempts to force the Boston longshoremen to give away rights that lawfully belong to them, then he is not recognized.

"Mr Ryan came to Boston without being requested to do so by the local unions and took part in the negotiations which were then going on with both parties friendly and about ready to reach an agreement. By his talk and actions in opposition to the union committee he convinced the employers' committee that the Boston men were asking for something that did not belong to them, even though what they were asking for were conditions they have had for many years.

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"As far as Mr Ryan and the employers charging that the strike was unauthorized, the committee acted, when putting the strike into effect, according to instructions voted by the members of the three unions in formal meetings and by a vote of the three memberships in mass meeting assembled which sustained the action of the committee."

Strike-breakers at Work

A survey of the strike situation along the docks yesterday, made for the employers' association, showed that clerks and laborers are working as strike breakers. With 13 steamers docked the count showed 41 gangs of laborers, numbering nearly 800 men, were unloading and loading these vessels. Four steamers left during the day after being loaded by nonunion workers. These vessels were the Leyland Line Nubian, for Manchester and Liverpool via Halifax, where she will pick up a shipment of apples; British steamer City of Wellington, for New York; Yankee liner West Harcuvar, for Philadelphia, and the J. L. Luckenbach, for Pacific Coast ports.

POST 10/15/31

DOCK PEACE BLOCKED BY ULTIMATUM

Agents Will Deal Only With Man Union Turned Down

The ultimatum that striking longshoremen of Boston shall make all moves toward peace through their international president, Joseph P. Ryan, last night blocked all efforts toward settlement of the city's dock strike, as leaders of the strikers argued as to whether they would even attempt negotiations through the man whom they repudiated last week.

AGENTS' ULTIMATUM

John N. Levins, chairman of the ship operators' committee, last night notified Mayor Curley that his committee would make no move toward a settlement of the strike unless the strikers acted through Ryan. The Mayor presented the position of the employers to the strikers and requested the leaders to decide whether they would call Ryan back to Boston for further negotiations. Mayor Curley intimated that if the strike leaders did not act, he would attempt to bring the international president here from New York on his own initiative.

The strikers' committee, the Boston district council of the International Longshoremen's Association, held a long meeting in their quarters at the Flour and Grain Exchange, on Milk street, last night, but officials of the union refused to make any statement as to the sentiment of the committee on recalling Ryan to Boston.

The Mayor's intervention in the strike, which for several days crippled the city's waterfront and then developed into a virtual lockout, struck a snag yesterday when the steamship operators informed him that they would make no effort to open negotiations with the local leaders. Levins notified Mayor Curley over the telephone late yesterday that a poll of the steamship men had resulted in this stand.

Meanwhile the port did the biggest day's business since the declaration of the strike a week ago. The forces of strike breakers were extended and 13 ships at the various piers were handled by [illegible] 1000 strike breakers.

The Mayor announced last night that he would take every means within his power to break the deadlock. The district council of the strikers will meet at 9:30 this morning to take action on the demand of the ship operators that Ryan be brought back.

AMERICAN 10/10/31

HEAP BIG CHIEFS POW-WOW



CHIEF JAMES M. CURLEY CLUBMAN CLEAR SKY

Mayor Curley is, no doubt, a pale-face,—but he's an Injun, too. Chief Clear Sky of the Iroquis tribe, one of eight survivors of the famous original Princess Pat regiment, today made the Mayor an honorary "Raw-Lon-day," or leader, of the tribe. Then the Mayor, to reciprocate, made Chief Clear Sky an honorary member of the Tammany Club. (Staff Photo).

Mayor Lets $31,000 Roxbury Contracts

Street and sewer improvements in West Roxbury calling for the expenditure of more than $31,000 will begin within a few days as a result of contracts awarded by Mayor Curley today.

Dooley Bros. were commissioned to construct bitulithic paving in Carrollton st., and Spring Valley rd., at a cost of $11,695, and Anthony Cefulo received a contract for sewerage works in Edgemere and Hinsdale rds., at a cost of $19,722.

Mayor to Attend West Point Game

Mayor Curley plans to attend the Army-Harvard football game at West Point on Saturday. Unless something comes up to interfere with present plans the Mayor will leave Boston tomorrow afternoon en route to the game.

Workers to Fight Navy Yard Closing

Representatives of the 1800 workmen at the Charlestown Navy Yard called on Mayor Curley, late yesterday, and made tentative arrangements for a mass meeting at Faneuil Hall in an effort to prevent the proposed closing of the yard.

To the meeting will be invited the Bay State delegation in both branches of Congress.

GLOBE 10/15/31

BON VOYAGE PARTY TO FRANK T. PEDONTI

A large number of friends attended a bon voyage party and dinner to Frank T. Pedonti, assistant secretary to Mayor Curley, in the Swiss Room of the Copley Plaza last evening.

J. Philip O'Connell presided and introduced Cavalier Joseph Tomasello as toastmaster. Speakers included Thomas J. A. Johnson, official city greeter; Edmund Dolan, city treasurer; Rev Fr Clancy, O. F. M., of the Franciscan Friary, Brookline; James H. Brennan of the Governor's Council, and Joseph McGrath, president of the City Council.

"Honey" Manovitch presented the guest of honor with a ring on behalf of his old friends in the West End. Maurice J. Tobin, candidate for the School Committee, made the presentation address for the gathering, handing Mr Pedonti a certificate for his passage to Europe and return, and a purse of gold. On behalf of the force from the Mayor's office, Secretary Cornelius A. Reardon presented Mr Pedonti with a travelling bag.

RECORD 10/15/31

Curley Works to Settle Dock Strike



Early settlement of longshoremen's strike was looked for yesterday after Mayor Curley, left, conferred at City Hall with Chairman John N. Levins of the steamship operators' committee. Levins submitted proposition submitted by strikers to other operators. Situation became lockout yesterday when officials offered to employ men as individuals but not as union members. Story on page 9.

Londos-Sherry Bout Urged for Charity

Paul Bowser, Boston wrestling promoter, today notified Mayor Curley he is prepared to guarantee the unemployed of Boston $15,000 if Jim Londos will wrestle Jack Sherry in a bout under his promotion.

Bowser also agreed to pay all expenses in connection with the match other than the purse asked for by Londos. He agreed to turn all receipts, other than the amount paid to Londos, over to the fund for the unemployed. Bowser pointed out that Londos recently agreed to meet Sherry or DeGlane in a bout here.

Ray Fabiani, Garden matcher, had called upon the Mayor to assist him in arranging a Londos-DeGlane bout.

The Mayor had taken the matter up with Bowser. The latter informed the Mayor that he has agreed with Budget Commissioner Fox to stage a wrestling show for the unemployed at the Arena in November or December. Bowser will give 25 per cent of his receipts to the fund for the poor. Bowser informed the Mayor he is not DeGlane's manager and so cannot speak for him.

Bowser believes that with his $15,000 guarantee and the share of the receipts which would go to the unemployed, a Sherry-Londos bout will give the poor $25,000.

Bowser pointed out in his letter to the Mayor that the Sonnenberg-DeGlane bout, staged for the Christmas Fund of the Boston Evening American, and the George-DeGlane match, promoted for the Crosscup-Pishon Post, netted $15,000 to worthy charities.

GLOBE 10/15/31

MAYOR TRIES TO MATCH LONDOS WITH DEGLANE TO BENEFIT IDLE

Mayor James M. Curley, in the interests of the city's unemployed, yesterday attempted to match Jimmy Londos with Henri DeGlane for the heavyweight wrestling title at the Boston Garden Nov 3.

In a letter to Paul Bowser, local promoter, the Mayor said that Ray Fabiani of the Garden has already agreed to the match. Bowser stated last night that he would allow DeGlane to meet Londos, provided that Londos disposes of Jack Sherry, Ohio heavyweight.

Sherry has posted forfeits with two State commissions in an effort to force Londos into a match, but Londos has refused to accept the challenge. Bowser further stated that Sherry would contribute $5000 to the unemployed and that he himself would contribute $10,000 if Londos accepts the match with Sherry.

CLEAR SKY VISITS CURLEY, A CHIEFTAN IN TAMMANY

Tammany and Iroquois chieftains met today. They did not smoke the pipe of peace but, for a time, traded headgear. Chief Clear Sky of the Iroquois, who is showing at the Metropolitan Theatre, in full regalia of beaded buckskin with feathered war bonnet and ornamented war club, called at the office of Mayor Curley.

Chief Clear Sky made Chief Curley of Tammany a member of the Iroquois, wearing the Mayor's plug hat while the Mayor sported the eagle feathers and ermine.

CITY WILL HAVE WORK DONE AT 78-82 LONDON ST

The City Building Department today received approval from Mayor Curley to see that repairs were made to foundations at 78-82 London st, East Boston. Owners of property were notified to correct matters, but according to the Mayor, did not do so and the city will now have the work done.

POST 10/15/31

MAYOR TO BANQUET ST. THOMAS TEAM

Mayor James M. Curley will tender a dinner tonight at the Parker House to the St. Thomas C. L. A. A. baseball team which won the championship of the Dorchester and Park Department league titles. This will mark the first occasion in which the league winners have been so rewarded and it is expected that it will set a precedent for future years.

Among the guests will be the Rev. Maurice J. Flynn, director of the St. Thomas Club, who is responsible for the big success of the team; Park Commissioner William P. Long, the Rt. Rev. Ambrose M. Roche, City Councillors Peter Murray and Edward Englert, Joe McKenney, head coach of football at Boston College, and his line coach, Bill Ohrenberger.

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PLAN TO CLOSE YARD PROTESTED

"False Hoover Economy," Says Curley, Informed Of Navy Decision

DALLINGER AMAZED, PREDICTS FIGHT

Vigorous protest was voiced by Massachusetts public officials last night when informed that it had been decided to close the Boston navy yard, following a conference yesterday between Secretary of the Navy Charles F. Adams and President Hoover. "False Hoover economy" was the way Mayor Curley described the action.

"The Boston navy yard is the oldest one in the country," said the mayor, "and yet it has a chain-making shop, a rope-making shop and a modern machine shop, all superior to facilities in other navy yards of the country.

"To close the Boston navy yard means that 2000 employes will be out of work and thrown upon the public welfare department of the city of Boston. Unfortunately the Boston navy yard receives no consideration alongside of Senator George Moses and his Portsmouth, N. H., navy yard. I have taken the matter up with Secretary Adams and offered my protest."

Congressman Frederick W. Dallinger of Cambridge was amazed at the news and said that he didn't believe the Boston navy yard would be closed.

"How can they close the yard when they have awarded us the construction of a destroyer which it will take two years to build?" he asked.

When informed that the destroyer would be constructed by another navy yard he said: "Well, anyway, Congress has got the say on the appropriation for the navy department. We have two Massachusetts congressmen on the committee on appropriations, Representative Wigglesworth and Representative Tinkham, and I am sure they will never let the navy department budget go through without providing an appropriation for the Boston yard.

"I can't believe it's true. After all that has been said and promised to us in Massachusetts I am astonished that any such action should be taken. Of course it has been rumored for 25 years that the navy yard would be abandoned but this has never occurred. If it is done now it will be the greatest mistake in the world. Even if only as a matter of national defence, to say nothing of the employment of men in these times, the navy yard here should be kept going. It would be very unfortunate to put those men on the bricks at this time. But I haven't given up hope yet."

Gov. Ely, while frankly surprised at the news, declined to make a statement. "I will reserve my comment for tomorrow," he said.

Says Port Needs Early N. E. Spirit

A plea for revival of the spirit of early New England, when the people risked their money in shipping and made Boston port a great shipping center, was made by Mayor Curley in a speech before the Traffic Club of New England during its "Marine Night" program last night at the Copley-Plaza. The mayor urged that New Englanders make this port a cargo port instead of a port of call. If this is done, he said, Boston will again come into its own as a shipping center.

The mayor was the only speaker. Among those attending were Rear Admiral Louis M. Nulton, commandant of the Boston Navy Yard; Calvin Austin, dean of New England shipping men, of the Eastern Steamship Lines, Inc.; E. R. Richardson, president and general manager of the Ocean Steamship Company of Savannah; George D. Ogden, vice president for New England of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and Frank S. Davis, manager of the Maritime Association, Boston Chamber of Commerce.

E. C. Webster, president of the club, presided.

New Moves to End Dock Strike

Boston Union Reinstated — Operators Reported Ready to Meet Delegates

President Ryan of the International Longshoremen's Association today reinstated Boston Local 800 and authorized Vice President John J. Doolin to represent the I. L. A. in any renewed negotiations between steamship operators and the striking longshoremen. Upon receipt of the news Mayor Curley urged the shipping interests to meet the strikers' delegates. The mayor said settlement was possible within twenty-four hours under these conditions. It was reported there would be a conference of both sides this afternoon.

COUNCIL TO GET ORDER FOR GIRLS' HIGH BUDGET

The City Council at its next meeting Monday will receive an order from Mayor Curley calling for the appropriation of $920,000 for the construction of the 36-classroom high school for girls in the Christopher Gibson district.

The Council in the order is also asked to authorize City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan to issue from time to time upon request of the Mayor bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the city to said amount, the same to be issued outside the limit of indebtedness.

MAYOR WAGES FIGHT TO SAVE NAVY YARD

Reveals Efforts, in Speech to Traffic Club Here

"Ship and sail from Boston" was the slogan given to the Traffic Club of New England last night at the Copley-Plaza by Mayor James M. Curley, speaking at the club's "marine dinner," which was attended by shipping and railroad officials. Pres E. C. Webster, traffic manager of the Hood Rubber Company, Watertown, was toastmaster.

The Mayor again asked that the United States take a lesson from Holland, a Republic which, with a population only 50 percent greater than that of New York city, spent $300,000,000 on a reclamation project to give more area for agriculture and to aid its agricultural class.

"Upon the prosperity of the farmer," said the Mayor, "depends the prosperity of the Nation. I'd like to see this Nation fire the imagination of the people and restore the faith which has largely been lost except in New England by making expenditures proportionate with those of Holland on the Zuyder Zee on our own 'Father of Waters'—expenditures up to $4,500,000,000 if necessary.

"I spent much of this afternoon trying to save the oldest Navy Yard in the country from Hoover policies. In Charlestown we have the best rope manufacturing plant, the best chain factory and the most complete machine shop in the country's Navy Yards, but even that will not count much against George Moses and his interest in the Portsmouth Navy Yard. Republican leaders in Rhode Island have asked that the Newport Training Station be allowed to remain.

"I wrote this afternoon a letter to the Secretary of the Navy suggesting a way in which the Boston Navy Yard and the Newport station may be kept, and at the same time the Navy may make $2,000,000. The scheme involves the taking over by Boston interests of the airplane carriers Lexington and Saratoga.

"As Mayor of this city I pledge that the city is prepared to spend money generously in the furthering of commerce and industry at home, but we can do nothing without your aid. Ship and sail from Boston!"

Mayor Curley would be excused if he smiled gently in the general direction of Harvard sq.

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Heap Big Chief! Mayor Curley swapped a shillalah for a tomahawk and a silk topper for a war bonnet yesterday when Chief Clear Sky of the Iroquois made him a member of his tribe. (Daily Record Photo)

HERALD 10/16/31

262,950 REGISTERED FOR CITY ELECTION

Figures Are 11,650 Less Than For State Election Last Year

Registration for the city election Nov. 3 will permit 262,950 voters to participate in the election of three members of the school committee and 22 city councilmen.

The number of voters is 11,650 less than the registration for the state election last year. As a result of the police listing 29,545 names were dropped this year from the voting lists. The additions were 18,895.

The largest registration was in ward 14, Dorchester, where there is one of the most bitter contests for the city council seat ever staged in the city. In this district 2341 names were added to the voting lists. Other wards in which registration was heavy were ward 3, 1325, ward 9, 1255, ward 4, 1228, ward 1 1148, ward 21, 982 and ward 17, 909. The smallest number of names was added in ward 20, West Roxbury, where but 304 voters were either listed for the first time or had their names returned.

The largest number of voters is registered in ward 18, Hyde Park, where 15,845 men and women are qualified to vote. In ward 20, West Roxbury, there are 15,775 voters and 15,483 in ward 14.

TRAVELER 10/16/31

CALLS CLOSING YARD UNFAIR

Curley Says It Would Increase Public Welfare Burden

Mayor Curley today declared as unfair and unwarranted closing of the Boston navy yard at this time.

In a statement, following a report that the closing of the navy yard was to be included as part of an economy naval budget, the mayor voiced his disapproval and called on President Hoover to "serve and be of service."

Mayor Curley said:

"The announcement from Washington of Secretary of the Navy Adams confirming the rumor that President Hoover favors the closing of the Boston navy yard, coming at this time, is both unfair and unwarranted and will undoubtedly prove extremely burdensome to the cities and town in which the 2000 men now employed at the navy yard reside.

"The public welfare departments in every city and town in Massachusetts have long since passed the exhaustion point in the matter of providing funds to meet the requirements of the welfare departments maintained by those cities and towns. The addition of 200 families to the already large number is unjust, unwise and unwarranted.

"Naval manoeuvres in the past three years have demonstrated that the airline carriers, the Lexington and the Saratoga, cannot be operated in naval fleet manoeuvres, because of their excessive speed, as contrasted with the other naval units.

"A group of New England citizens has under consideration a proposition to be submitted to the naval department and the United States shipping board for the taking over of the Saratoga and the Lexington and their operation from the port of Boston to Europe on a four-day sailing schedule. The transfer of these ships from the navy department to private New England interests would result in an annual maintenance saving of $8,000,000.

"The total cost of operation of the Boston navy yard approximates but $5,000,000. The cost of operating the Newport training station is about $1,000,000.

"It is possible through the transfer of the Lexington and Saratoga to New England interests to effect a saving of $2,000,000 in excess of what would be saved provided the navy department continued to operate the Saratogra and the Lexington. In addition, an opportunity would be afforded to establish competitive sailings with European super-ships of modern construction upon a four-day basis between Boston and Europe.

"The transfer of these ships to the New England interests now seeking them would not only save the situation and make unnecessary the discharge of a single man now employed at the Boston Navy Yard or at Newport, but would, in addition, prove a tremendous impetus to commercial and inmdustrial Boston. It is to be sincerely hope that President Hoover, unless he is actuated solely by a desire to punish the people of Masachusetts because the state failed to support him in the last presidential election, will take advantage of the opportunity presented to serve and be of service."

RECORD 10/16/31

Notifies Mayor Curley He Is Ready to Meet Londos on Mat

By S. J. MAHONEY

Paul Bowser notified Mayor Curley yesterday that he is ready and eager to handle a championship wrestling bout Nov. 3 between Jim Londos, the Greek star, and Jack Sherry, famous matman, for the benefit of the Daily Record and Sunday Advertiser Fund for unemployment relief.

Not only would he gladly guarantee all promotional expenses, with the exception of Londos' fee, the promoter told His Honor, but he will give $10,000 to the Fund and Sherry will give $5000 more the moment the bone-crushers begin to grapple.

This, he pointed out, would give to the unemployed the full receipts of the match, except for the amount paid the champion, and another $15,000 besides.

Bowser's letter was in reply to a request from the Mayor that Paul aid in arranging a Londos-De Glane bout, which, the Boston promoter answered, he considers "impossible."

In the first place, he said, he is not the manager of the French wrestler and in the second place he understands De Glane has other engagements, including a match six days before Nov. 3, that would eliminate him as a contestant on that date.

Here is a copy of the letter received by Mayor Curley from Paul Bowser:

October, 14, 1931.

The Hon. James M. Curley,
Office of the Mayor,
City Hall, Boston, Mass.

My Dear Mr. Mayor:

Your letter of October 13 received and contents carefully noted. As you probably are aware, Mr. Mayor, I have for some months past been arranging with Budget Commissioner Fox for a charity wrestling carnival for the benefit of the Welfare Department of the City of Boston, which we plan to stage the latter part of November or the first part of December.



JACK SHERRY

The details for that affair had been practically completed when I received your letter which asks me to do the impossible.

I say impossible, because I am not the manager of the champion DeGlane, although I am his personal friend.

I am aware, however, of the fact that he has entered into contracts which bind him, if he remains champion, to compete in several wrestling bouts, including one in Boston on the 29th day of October. He, therefore, would not be obtainable for the bout you suggest on the third day of November.

There has been a rivalry existing between Ray Fabiani, Londos, the Boston Garden and myself, and the only thing I can do is to use my best judgment in the battle existing between us, not only in Boston, but all over the country.

I believe that past records will show that I have gone as far in donations for charity causes in Boston as anyone with similar financial means.

It is hard for me to figure, knowing Ray Fabiani, Jim Londos and Ed White, Londos' manager, as well as I do, why they, who are not citizens of Massachusetts, should want to come in and do something big for the City of Boston.

The only answer is that Mr. Fabiani wants to make a grand impression, get in right on the local situation and, if possible, put me out of business, even though I have built up the sport in this vicinity and given everything I have to make it worth while.

Please let me call your attention to the fact that on Sunday last that the Fabiani-Londos-White combination made a statement in the Boston Sunday Advertiser in which Jim Londos challenged champion DeGlane and several others. Sherry, upon reading this challenge accepted the challenge and stipulated that his entire share of the gate receipts would be donated to charity and, in addition to this, the minute that Londos stepped into the ring and started to wrestle, he will donate personally $5000 more to your cause.

Now in answer to your letter, Mr. Mayor, I will furnish Jack Sherry to meet Jim Londos under the following conditions: Sherry's services to be donated absolutely free to the cause you mention.

Immediately Londos steps into the ring to meet Sherry and begins to wrestle, $5000 will be turned over to your cause as a personal donation from Jack Sherry.

I will personally donate $10,000 as soon as Londos steps into the ring and begins to wrestle with Sherry.

This will make a total donation of $15,000 from Sherry and myself to your cause. In addition, I will promote this match on a big scale, furnishing at my own expense the complete preliminary card, rental of building, and every incidental necessary to the promotion of this match.

This means that $15,000 and every cent taken in at the gate, with the exception of what Jim Londos may want for his services, will be turned over to charity.

I am willing to sign for this entire proposition on a minute's notice and will post a bond of any reasonable amount as a guarantee that I will go through with every statement I have made in this letter.

If Mr. Londos or his many friends will accept this proposition, I will be glad to start immediately as I have proposed. If they don't care for this proposition, why not allow their organization to run their own show for this cause and I will run my show as I have planned. I am willing to guarantee that the amount of the check turned over by me will be as large as the one turned over by them.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) PAUL BOWSER.

MAYOR BUYS 10 TICKETS FOR CHARITY

First for the unemployed as usual Mayor Curley yesterday bought the first 10 tickets for the Daily Record and Boston Sunday Advertiser wrestling show at the Boston Garden, Nov. 3.

Unwilling to accept a box at the Garden which was offered to him free for the championship match between Jim Londos and an opponent to be picked later, the mayor said, "I want to do my bit to put the show over."

He purchased ten $5 tickets saying, "I hope every citizen in the city who can afford it will do likewise. Here is a championship show. The proceeds are to go to a worthy cause. I expect to get my money's worth Nov. 3 and every one else who goes there will get their money's worth besides helping the cause along."

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Mayor Attacks Hoover on Depression Stand



Mayor Curley last night attacked President Hoover in connection with depression and vigorously urged immediate and wide development of the Port of Boston, at "Marine Night" held in the main ballroom of the Copley Plaza Hotel by the Traffic Club of New England.

"Mr. Hoover told us early in January that the depression would be all over in 30 days," the Mayor said. "He has apparently misinformed."

The Mayor urged the creation of an industrial planning commission as one definite means of checking or minimizing any recurrence of present suffering.

The Mayor emphasized that the wider the distribution of wealth the more certain this country will be of prosperity and progress. He warned that before prosperity can return it will be necessary to stabilize the farmer.

Speaking with reference to the port of Boston the Mayor called upon his audience to "ship and sail" from Boston. He assured the transportation leaders that the "city is prepared to spend generously for the promotion of commerce and industry if you will only do your part."

"Sixty per cent of all goods sold outside of Massachusetts are shipped from New York," the Mayor said. "New England at least should ship and sail out of Boston. For 100 years this port occupied first place commercially. It is about time we secured this supremacy back again."

The Mayor questioned how President Hoover could ever expect prosperity to return "when he's only spending pennies these days." The Mayor urged federal expenditure of $4,500,000,000 along the banks of the Mississippi River for flood control to restore confidence and stabilize conditions.

The Mayor shouted out that "our next President will be Franklin D. Roosevelt." The remark drew much applause.

Mr. Curley strongly advised his audience to remain optimistic regarding the disappearance of present conditions. He forecast confidence that continued optimism is bound to play a vital role in the return of prosperity.

Edward C. Webster, president of the Traffic Club of New England, presided at the gathering.

MAYOR TO FIGHT

Scores Plan to Close Navy Yard as False Economy—Takes Shot at Senator Moses

Mayor Curley last night made it perfectly clear in a talk before the Traffic Club of New England at the Copley-Plaza that the Charlestown navy yard faces the serious likelihood of being closed and that he intends to enlist all possible forces and means to keep it open, despite efforts at Washington to effect federal economy.

"This navy yard we have here," the Mayor emphasized, "is one of the best equipped and oldest in the country. The Secretary of the Navy, a Massachusetts man, this afternoon, submitted his programme to President Hoover and in it a reduction is covered that threatens our navy yard.

"The navy yard here has the best chain-making factory, the best rope-making plant, the best machine shop and one of the best dry docks of any navy yard in the country," the Mayor continued.

"But, after all, what is all that compared to the Portsmouth navy yard and (Senator) George Moses?" Mr. Curley remarked sharply. "It is possible the Portsmouth navy yard, although far less equipped, might remain open.

"At the present time there are about 2000 men employed at the Charlestown navy yard. Mr. Hoover's apparent project in allowing the Charlestown navy yard to be closed is to effect economy.

Fails to See Economy

"I fail to see how any economy would be effected in this way when these men and their families almost immediately would be thrown onto the payrolls of the city public welfare department. The city of Boston at present is paying on an average of $1000 an hour for public welfare help."

The Mayor told the Traffic Club members that he spent a large part of yesterday afternoon in an attempt to keep the navy yard here open. He said he had sent communications to Secretary of the Navy Charles Francis Adams, urging that consideration be shown for the local yard.

Mayor Curley also said he has been informed that Rhode Island legislative leaders have already begun action to keep open the Newport training station, which faces the possibility of being closed.

The Mayor said he is confident that even if the aid of private business has to be enlisted it would be worth while on the government's part at present to keep the navy yard here going. The Mayor also stressed that closing of the navy yard would mean the loss of several thousands of dollars annually to Boston merchants.

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CURLEY HAS PLAN TO SAVE NAVY YARD

Would Transfer Two Airplane Carriers To Boston-Europe Passenger Service

Mayor James M. Curley, in a statement issued this afternoon on the Charlestown Navy Yard situation, offers a suggestion that the naval plane carriers Lexington and Saratoga, which he says cost $8,000,000 in annual maintenance, be transferred to the Shipping Board for use as passenger ships out of Boston on a four-day schedule to Europe.

The cost of maintaining the Charlestown Yard and the training station at Newport is said by the Mayor to be but $6,000,000 a year. In the event of the transfer of the Lexington and Saratoga, the Newport station could still be operated and $2,000,000 saved, he points out.

Mayor Curley's statement was as follows:

"The announcement from Washington of the Secretary of the Navy, Charles Francis Adams, of the confirmation of the rumor that President Hoover favors the closing of the Boston Navy Yard, coming at this time, is both unfair, and unwarranted, and will unquestionably prove extremely burdensome to the cities and towns in which the 2000 men now employed at the Navy Yard reside. Every city and town in Massachusetts has long since passed the exhaustion point in the matter of providing funds to meet the requirements of public welfare departments maintained by those cities and towns. The addition of 2000 families to the already large number is unjust, unwise and unwarranted.

"Naval maneuvers in the past three years have demonstrated that the airplane carriers, the Lexington and the Saratoga, cannot be operated efficiently in naval fleet maneuvers, because of their excessive speed, as contrasted with the other naval units.

"A group of New England citizens have under consideration a proposition to be submitted to the Naval Department and the United States Shipping Board for the taking over of the Saratoga and the Lexington and their operation from the Port of Boston to Europe, on a four-day sailing schedule. The transfer of these ships from the Navy Department to private New England interests would result in an annual maintenance saving of $8,000,000. The total cost of operation of the Boston Navy Yard approximates but $5,000,000, and the cost of operating the Newport Training Station about $1,000,000 additional.

"It is posible through the transfer of the Lexington and the Saratoga to the New England interests to effect a saving of $2,000,000 in excess of what would be saved, provided the Navy Department continued to operate the Saratoga and the Lexington. In addition, an opportunity would be afforded to establish competitive sailings with European superships of modern construction, upon a four-day basis between Boston and Europe. The transfer of these ships to the New England interests now seeking them would not only save the situation and make unnecessary the discharge of a single man now employed at the Boston Navy Yard or at Newport, but would in addition prove a tremendous impetus to commercial and industrial Boston.

"And it is to be sincerely hoped that President Hoover, unless he is actuated solely with a desire to punish the people of Massachusetts because the State failed to support him in the last Presidential election, will take advantage of the opportunity presented to serve and be of service."

WAR VETS PLAN TO FIGHT CLOSING OF BOSTON YARD

Headquarters of war veteran organizations in the State House buzzed this morning at the news flashed from Washington relative to the proposed closing of the Charlestown Navy Yard.

The possibility of big mass meetings of protest against the proposal was discussed.

The Chamber of Commerce plans to take a hand. A letter, dated yesterday, came this morning from Pres H. I. Harriman of the Chamber to Department Commander Emery C. Griswold of the United Spanish War Veterans, of which a part follows:

"Recent reports state that because of the desire for drastic cuts in the budget of the Navy Department, the authorities at Washington are contemplating the closing of the Boston Navy Yard.

"The Boston Chamber of Commerce believes that good and sufficient reasons exist why, despite the necessity for economy, the Boston Navy Yard should be kept intact. In order to give expression to these reasons and to arrange to present them effectively and concisely, I am calling a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce at luncheon on next Tuesday, Oct 20, at 12:30 p m.

"I extend a cordial invitation to you to attend this meeting as the guest of the Chamber and assist in preserving a local institution, employing 1600 persons, which has existed for more than 100 years.

Statement by Haverty

Up to noon no such invitation had come to the American Legion, State Adjt Dennie H. Haverty said:

"State Commander Stephen C. Garrity and I, though no invitation to the Chamber of Commerce luncheon has come here, realize thoroughly the immense value and essential need of the Charlestown Navy Yard, and the public may rest assured that the Legion in Massachusetts will spare no effort to bring about the retention of that indispensable intsitution."

Jacobs Writes to Curley

No invitation had come to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Massachusetts headquarters, in room 160.

But Wilfred E. Jacobs, past commander of the Suffolk County Council of the V. F .W., drew up and sent to Mayor Curley a letter reading in part:

"The Military Order of the Serpent, of which I am the commander for the Department of Massahcusetts, U. S. W. V., is vitally interested in retaining the Boston Navy Yard.

"We stand 100 percent behind any movement to retain the Boston Navy Yard and the giving of continued employment to the many hundreds of men employed there for many, many years.

"Please be advised that I am ready to call a monster meeting of all veterans, the meeting to be held in Faneuil Hall at an early date. Such a meeting would cost but a small amount and would, I believe, do much toward bringing about the end desired.

"If you are interested in such a movement I shall be pleased to call upon you at your convenience to discuss plans for same."

TRAVELER 10/16/31

BOWSER TO AID MAYOR IN FUND

Wrestling Promoter Ready to Put on Show for Unemployed Fund

Mayor James M. Curley's proposal for an all-star wrestling show for the city of Boston welfare fund has been accepted by Paul Bowser, wrestling promoter and resident of Greater Boston. Bowser, who does not manage wrestlers, but promotes the shows in which they appear, is ready to confer with Budget Commissioner Charles Fox on a date. He is ready to sign a match between Jack Sherry and Jim Londos, which, he believes, would swell the welfare fund.

DONATES SERVICES

Promoter Bowser has written to the mayor relative to the big charity show and, in part, said:

"In answer to your letter, Mr. Mayor, I will furnish Jack Sherry to meet Jim Londos under the following conditions: Sherry's services to be donated absolutely free to the cause you mention. Immediately Londos steps into the ring to meet Sherry and begins to wrestle, $5000 will be turned over to your cause as a personal donation from Jack Sherry. I will personally donate $10,000 as soon as Londos steps into the ring and begins to wrestle with Sherry. This will make a total donation of $15,000 from Sherry and myself to your cause. In addition, I will promote this match on a big scale, furnishing at my own expense the complete preliminary card, rental of building and every incidental necessary to the promotion of this match. This means that $15,000 and every cent taken in at the gate, with the exception of what Jim Londos may want for his services, will be turned over to charity."

TRANSCRIPT 10/16/31

Boston Navy Yard Likely to Stay Open

Impression Is That Department's Recommendation Will Not Go Through

By Oliver McKee, Jr.

Special to the Transcript:

Washington, Oct. 16—The impression prevails here that the Boston Navy Yard will not be closed notwithstanding the recommendations by the Navy Department. The Budget Bureau and the President will have something to say, as will Congress, about the proposal. If the President concurs in the recommendations, the whole matter is due for an airing in Capitol Hill. Under such circumstances there would be a big fight in Congress against abandonment. The admirals believe that the shore stations must bear a part of the brunt of the economy drive, but the political factor will have much influence on the situation.

Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers of Massachusetts this afternoon predicted that the Boston yard would remain open. "I think it would be bad for the employment situation in Boston to have the yard closed down," she said. "There are trained men there who would be hard to replace." If the President does not heed the various protests, she believes that Congress will override the Executive, and insist that the yard be kept open.

Secretary Charles Francis Adams presented to the President an economy program for the Navy which recommends the closing of the Boston yard, the training station at Newport and the Navy yard at Charleston, S. C. It is understood that the Navy's budget for the fiscal year 1933 has been pared down to slightly more than $340,000,000, or approximately $59,000,000 less than the original estimate. The President had asked for a cut of $61,000,000. While Mr. Adams and his advisers have not been able quite to come within the President's figures, it is not believed that there will be any serious difficulties on this score between the White House and the Navy.

Prefer to Keep Ships Operating

It is Mr. Adams's view that because of the cuts asked for by the President it was necessary either to put a large number of vessels out of commission, or else close some shore stations. He and his naval advisers regard the forces afloat as the most esesntial, for ships cannot be improvised over night. Ever since the transfer of the main battle fleet to the Pacific, the Eastern coast has had more shore stations than were really needed, and naval officers have long felt that if money was to be saved on the sea establishment, the best way to accomplish this was to cut down some of the yards and shore stations.

The President and the Budget Bureau may decide not to close down any shore stations, on the ground that to do so would put men out of employment. The Administration has consistently emphasized its desire not to add to the unemployed in its general economy program through the Government departments. The Boston yard, for example, employs about 1300 men. Likewise the navy yards have many friends in Congress. The Bay State and the New England delegation will, it is certain, oppose the closing down of the Boston yard. Already Senator David I. Walsh has filed a protest, and Congresswoman Rogers is scheduled to see the President and Secretary Adams today to make a similar protest.

The President made it known some time ago that the efforts of certain naval officers to create a backfire of opposition in the press to naval cuts were displeasing to him. Mr. Adams apparently has succeeded in getting an economy program approved by his naval advisers along the lines demanded by the President. Reports of a rift between the President and Mr. Adams need not be taken very seriously. When asked whether he proposed to resign, just before the Cabinet meeting, Mr. Adams smiled jocularly, indicating there was no substance to published reports that he was at odds with his chief. The White House had no comment to make today on the recommendations submitted by the Secretary of the Navy, and Mr. Adams in turn referred inquirers for details to the President, or his secretaries.

Sees Efficiency Unimpaired

Washington, Oct. 16 (A.P.)—President Hoover believes the Navy Department has succeeded in trimming millions of dollars from its 1933 budget without impairing the efficiency of the service. Receiving the curtailed estimates, which reduced by almost $61,000,000 the planned $401,000,000 expenditures of the Navy, the White House said they were acceptable. It added that the effort had been strong and successful.

President Hoover demanded the curtailed Navy program several weeks ago after pointing out that the $401,000,000 figure was $40,000,000 more than appropriated this year. Mr. Hoover was highly aroused at the time by what he believed were efforts of some naval officials to seek public support in demanding larger naval budgets. He was represented as willing to carry a fight for reduced expenditures before the people.

Inasmuch as curtailment of the fleet's construction program is not favored by the President, it is presumed that the decreases have been effected through reduced fleet activities and enlisted men of both the Navy and the Marine Corps, and by the elimination of some naval yards. The details, however, are yet to be worked out between Director Roop of the Budget Bureau and the Navy's budget officer.

Among the stories circulated here was one to the effect that the Navy had sacrificed construction of two of its principal hospitals, a new one planned for Philadelphia and replacement buildings at the existing Washington plant. These land moves would be combined with reductions in the enlisted personnel, variously estimated at from 3500 to 5000, withdrawal from service of about one-fifth of the ships in commission under a rotation plan which would give every vessel part time use, and a reduction in the number of active battleships from fifteen to eleven.

Secretary Adams today advised newspaper correspondents to smile at published reports that he would resign as Secretary of the Navy because of differences with President Hoover over cuts in the naval budget.

Congressmen Oppose Plan to Close the Navy Yard

Congressmen of Greater Boston are vigorous in their protests against the decision to close the Boston Navy Yard, which was announced after a conference between President Hoover and Secretary of the Navy Adams.

Congressman Frederick W. Dallinger of Cambridge expressed amazement and said that he did not see how the yard could be closed when it had just been awarded work of constructing a destroyer which would take two years. When told that it was planned to transfer the work to another yard, he said, "Well, anyway, Congress has the say on the appropriation of the Navy Department. We have two Massachusetts congressmen on the committee on appropriations. Representative Wigglesworth and Representative Tinkham, and I am sure they will never let the Navy Department budget go through without providing an appropriation for the Boston yard.

"I can't believe it's true. After all that has been said and promised to us in Massachusetts, I am astonished that any such action should be taken. Of course, it has been rumored for twenty-five years that the Navy Yard would be abandoned, but this has never occurred. If it is done now it will be the greatest mistake in the world. Even if only as a matter of national defense, to say nothing of the employment of men in these times, the Navy Yard here should be kept running. It would be very unfortunate to put those men on the bricks at this time. But I haven't given up hope yet."

Neither Congressman George Holden Tinkham nor Congressman Richard B. Wigglesworth could be reached today for a statement regarding the decision, but Congressman John W. McCormack characterized the action as "amazing" and said the responsibility was definitely on the present administration.

"It shows complete disregard of the interest of Massachusetts. It also shows a lack of appreciation of the importance of the Boston Navy Yard as a necessary element of our national defense. The Boston Navy Yard is far superior to the Brooklyn and Philadelphia yards which have not been disturbed.

"Recent developments clearly indicate that our Navy, America's first line of defense, must suffer in order that certain economies may be brought about. I consider this a serious mistake. The administration places itself in a very inconsistent position when on the one hand it it urges private employers to increase their working force, and on the other hand promulgates an order which throws 2000 governmental employees on the street.

"The people of New England, irrespective of their political leanings, should arouse themselves to the meaning of this action and create a feeling of public opinion that will convince the Administration that the order closing the Navy Yard should be rescinded. It was only six months ago that the Massachusetts congressional delegation was assured that the rumor at that time was without foundation and that the Administration was not even considering and had no intention of closing the Boston Navy Yard.

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(Daily Record Photo)

(Story on Page 31)

First for Unemployed! Mayor James M. Curley, right, shown yesterday at City Hall as he purchased from Mark McIntyre of the Daily Record staff the first ten $5 tickets for the Daily Record-Boston Sunday Advertiser wrestling show for the unemployed, November 3, at Boston Garden. Champion Jim Londos will defend his title against an opponent to be seleected.

HERALD 10/16/31

PORT DEVELOPMENT URGED BY CURLEY

Transportation Leaders at Traffic Club Meeting

Marine night, arranged by the Traffic Club of New England brought together many well known ocean, coastwise and railroad transportation men at the Copley Plaza hotel last night.

It also brought a stirring appeal from Mayor Curley for a revival of the spirit of the early people of New England who risked their money in shipping and made this port a great shipping centre. He urged New England shippers to make Boston a cargo port instead of a port of call and said that if this is done other large shipping centres along the Atlantic will soon give consideration to Boston. He declared it his belief that Boston will come into its own again as a leader in shipping circles.

The mayor said that the city is prepared to spend money generously to promote industry provided sufficient interest is manifested by those who are in a position to do something to benefit this port.

He expressed the opinion that future heavy traffic will be to the Orient instead of Europe pointed out the opportunity to capture those markets

The mayor was the only speaker. Among those attending were Rear Admiral Louis M. Nulton, commandant of the Boston navy yard; Calvin Austin, dean of New England shipping men, who is connected with the Eastern Steamship Lines, Inc.; E. R. Richardson, president and general manager of the Ocean Steamship Company of Savannah; George D. Ogden, vice-president for New England of the Pennsylvania railroad, and Frank S. Davis, manager of the maritime association, Boston Chamber of Commerce.

E. C. Webster, president of the club, presided.

PEDONTI LEAVES TONIGHT

More than a score of friends left for New York last night to be at the pier when "Frankie" Pedonti, assistant secretary to Mayor Curley, sails from that city aboard the S. S. Conte Grande for a six-weeks' tour of Italy. "Frankie" goes to satisfy a life-long yearning to visit the birthplace of his parents in Messina. During his visit there he will have audiences with His Holiness, Pope Pius XI, Premier Mussolini and King Victor Emmanuel. Among those representing City Hall who will bid him "bon voyage," are Cornelius A. Reardon, secretary to Mayor Curley; Asst. Secys. "Jimmy" Tobin and "Bill" Duggan, and "Charlie" Manion, the mayor's chauffeur.

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PUBLIC PROTEST ON NAVY YARD CALLED

Business Leaders to Meet Tuesday at Chamber

For an effective presentation of the reasons why Boston business leaders believe the Charlestown Navy Yard should be kept open, Pres Henry I. Harriman of the Boston Chamber of Commerce has called a meeting for next Tuesday at 12:30, when service representatives, business men and civic leaders will express their protests.

This was the first result of the statements in Washington that the Charlestown Yard is on the list for closing in the interests of economy. Veteran organizations were planning mass meetings of protest yesterday.

Mayor Curley offered as an alternative to the closing a proposition that the Navy Department save $8,000,000 operation expense annually by turning over the airplane carriers Lexington and Saratoga to passenger service between Boston and European ports. Expense of operation of the Charlestown Yard is estimated at $6,000,000 annually.

Mayor Curley's Plan

In his statement, Mayor Curley said:

"The announcement from Washington of the Secretary of the Navy, Charles Francis Adams, of the confirmation of the rumor that President Hoover favors the closing of the Boston Navy Yard, coming at this time, is both unfair and unwarranted, and will unquestionably prove extremely burdensome to the cities and towns in which the 2000 men now employed at the Navy Yard reside.

"A group of New England citizens have under consideration a proposition to be submitted to the Navy Department and the United States Shipping Board for the taking over of the Saratoga and the Lexington and their operation from the Port of Boston to Europe, on a four-day sailing schedule. The transfer of these ships from the Navy Department to private New England interests would result in an annual maintenance saving of $8,000,000.

"It is possible through the transfer of the Lexington and the Saratoga to the New England interests to effect a saving of $2,000,000 in excess of what would be saved, provided the Navy Department continued to operate the Saratoga and the Lexington. In addition, an opportunity would be afforded to establish competitive sailings with European superships of modern construction, upon a four-day basis, between Boston and Europe. The transfer of these ships to the New England interests now seeking them would not only save the situation and make unnecessary the discharge of a single man now employed at the Boston Navy Yard or at Newport, but would in addition prove a tremendous impetus to commercial and industrial Boston."

Many Long Employed There

A total of more than 1500 employes of the Boston Navy Yard, the oldest in the country, would be thrown out of employment, should the yard be closed.

Of this number, 350 are employed as clerks, draftsmen, inspectors and policemen, and the remaining 1150 are employed in the production, public works and the supply departments.

The workmen have homes in Boston and nearby cities and towns and the majority of them are married men with families to support. Many of these are also owners of homes which are mortgaged.

Forty-one percent are Spanish War, World War and other ex-service men. About 627 employes are military preference employes.

The majority of the men employed, over 55 years of age, with 15 years of service, are eligible for retirement with an annuity. Many, though they may have 30 years' employment with the Government, have not reached the age of 55 years.

Walsh Depends on Congress

Navy Yard employes were stunned by the announcement, citing a letter received from Senator Coolidge Thursday by Thomas McCarthy, one of the civilian attaches. The letter said in part:

"You and I know very well that rumors like the present ones have been applied to probably most of the navy yards throughout the country at various times. Secretary of the Navy Adams is our friend and I have every reason to believe that his interest in the Boston Navy Yard, with its splendid record in history for so many years, will not be disturbed."

Senator Walsh arrived home early yesterday after his hurried trip to Washington, where he lodged a vigorous protest at the Navy Department against the closing of the Charlestown Navy Yard.

"If the Administration insists on closing the Charlestown Yard we shall have to fight it tooth and nail in Congress," he said. "The people of Massachusetts may depend upon their representatives in Washington to fight this move of false economy. Republicans and Democrats, I am sure, will unite in preventing the closing of one of the oldest and best-equipped yards in the country, throwing 1800 employes out of work and adding to the large numbers seeking employment.

"I am not given to prophecy, but I do not believe that the Congress will approve the plan of the Administration to increase the number of unemployed. If the Government starts in cutting payrolls and increasing the number of unemployed, how can it consistently ask private concerns to maintain wages and retain their help?" he asked.

Veterans for Mass Meetings

State Adjt Dennie H. Haverty of the American Legion said:

"State Commander Stephen C. Garrity and I realize thoroughly the immense value and essential need of the Charlestown Navy Yard, and the public may rest assured that the Legion in Massachusetts will spare no effort to bring about the retention of that indispensable institution."

Wilfred E. Jacobs, past commander of the Suffolk County Council of the V. F. W., sent to Mayor Curley a letter reading in part:

"We stand 100 percent behind any movement to retain the Boston Navy Yard and the giving of continued employment to the many hundreds of men employed there for many, many years.

"Please be advised that I am ready to call a monster meeting of all veterans, the meeting to be held in Faneuil Hall at an early date. Such a meeting would cost but a small amount and would, I believe, do much toward bringing about the end desired."

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WILL NOT DEAL WITH STRIKERS

Steamship Companies Insist on Union Head Here

Settlement of the strike of hundreds of Boston longshoremen, which seemed Thursday in a fair way of being reached, struck a snag late yesterday. Climaxing the situation was a warning voiced last night over the telephone to the Post from New York by Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, that the Boston shipping interests seem to have the strike well in hand, and that if the strikers want to enter into negotiations with the shipping agents they will have to come in under the terms of the steamship companies, and do so shortly.

WILL COME IF REQUESTED

It was indicated last night that settlement of the strike can only be reached by having President Ryan come to Boston and be the representative of the Longshoremen's Association at a possible conference with the shipping agents. Furthermore, that Ryan will probably come only at the request of the strikers.

Developments moved rapidly yesterday in the strike, and each succeeding step seemed to involve the situation but more deeply. Briefly they included the following:

A determined effort on the part of Mayor Curley to end the strike. He telephoned Ryan, in New York. A statement issued from the Mayor's office said Ryan had agreed to comply with the Mayor's request and reinstate the charter of Local 800 of the Longshoremen's Union, and to notify the shipping interests that it would be agreeable to hold a conference with the three locals.

Insist on Ryan

Mayor Curley then talked with John N. Levins of the American-Hawaiian Line, chairman of the shipping agents' committee, urging him to hold a conference of the agents and representatives of the Boston District Council of Longshoremen.

Ryan then telegraphed Vice-President John J. Doolin of Charlestown, to arrange meetings of the different locals to give the men a chance to express their wishes. The wire said that Ryan was under the impression the strikers want him present in Boston, but have no means of conveying their wishes to him.

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HUB TO LOSE 10 MILLION IF YARD CLOSES

Enormous Annual Loss to Boston—Payroll $3,000,000 More to Greater City Residents

Big Protest Meeting on Tuesday—Mayor Has Plan to Add 3000 Men at Yard

WILL AGAIN TIE UP "OLD IRONSIDES"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 — The old frigate Constitution, rebuilt and refitted largely through contributions of the nation's school children, is to go out of commission again. Only a few weeks ago, she started her grand tour of the Eastern and, possibly, the Western coast. Now, under the navy budget slashing plan, Old Ironsides again is to be tied up at a dock. And, because of the plan to abandon the Boston navy yard, it will not even be at her home port, where she has laid for years.

Boston isn't going to let the Charlestown navy yard go without a protest that will stir Washington, according to plans in the making last night. Next Tuesday afternoon leading business and financial men of Boston will gather at the Chamber of Commerce, on call of President Henry I. Harriman of that body, to arrange for formal protest to the President and to make plans not only to prevent the closing of the yard, but to make sure of its continued operation on a basis of equality with other yards.

$18,000,000 SAVING

Mayor Tells How Navy Can Make It, Keep Boston Yard Open and Regain Ocean Speed Crown

NEW YORK, Oct. 16—Proposals to provide work for 3000 additional men at the Boston navy yard and yet save the Navy Department $18,000,000 were outlined here tonight by Mayor Curley, en route to the Harvard-Army football game at West Point.

Under the Mayor's plan the Shipping Board and a New England syndicate of bankers, transportation and business leaders would take over the giant airplane carriers Saratoga and Lexington, which cost the Navy Department $8,000,000 a year in maintenance costs alone.

Saving in Equipment

The other $10,000,000 would be saved by transferring the equipment of the giant carriers to two smaller carriers, instead of spending that amount in purchasing additional equipment for the new boats.

Work would then be given 3000 additional men at the Charlestown navy yard reconditioning the big plane carriers as four-day passenger liners between Boston and Europe. This work would not cost the Navy Department a cent, the Mayor said, explaining that it could be paid for by the New England syndicate and the Shipping Board, under the provisions of the 1928 merchant marine act, which gave the board authority to use from its revolving funds 75 per cent of the cost of reconditioning ships for the American merchant marine.

Urges Hub to Help Portsmouth Yard

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Oct. 16—Mayor F. W. Hartford, in a statement this afternoon, made an appeal for Mayor James M. Curley of Boston and the citizens of Massachusetts and New England to lend their assistance in having the Portsmouth navy yard enlarged and improved to make the local station one of the outstanding naval stations of the country.

The statement was in connection with the reports from Washington that the Boston yard and other yards on the Atlantic coast might be closed in connection with the economy programme of President Hoover.

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AIRPORT EXTENSION HERE TO BEGIN IN TWO WEEKS

Chairman William P. Long of the Park Department stated last night that work on the new extension of the Boston Airport will be started within the next two weeks. This slight delay, he pointed out, was due to additional soundings which must be made by departmental engineers before the job is begun.

The Huffman Company of Cleveland, which this week was awarded the contract by Mayor Curley for the new development—their bid was $490,550—has already started its equipment en route from New York to Boston. Two huge dredges will be used in the work.

The development, it was stated, will require about eight months' work. When it is completed the field will cover 300 acres, the largest municipal airport in the world.

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STEVEDORES WARNED ON STRIKEBREAKERS

Outside Help May Spread Strike Along Seaboard

Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, notified the committee in charge of the strike in this city last night that he had sent a warning to all Boston stevedores not to engage strike-breakers from outside the city.

He stated that he notified the stevedores that fi foreign strikebreakers are used on any ship, every ship of the line in question would be struck against if docked at any port along the North Atlantic Coast. The warning, it was said, specifically mentioned the Dollor Line, a ship of which is expected to dock in Boston today with a strike-breaking gang aboard. The strike committee said that this notice explained the sending away of a large gang of workers who were brought here from Jersey City late Thursday night for work at the Wiggin Terminal in Charlestown.

The situation which Thursday night and yesterday morning seemed to bring a settlement of the strike of longshoremen but a few hours away, was back to its old status late yesterday afternoon when a statement from Ryan was received by steamship representatives and caused them to take a position opposite to the one they had the night before.

Insist on Ryan

Thursday night communications between the representatives of the employers and the union committee arranged conditions under which negotiations could be resumed for a discussion of a basis for a settlement of the strike, but yesterday afternoon everything went topsy-turvey again.

Mayor Curley left his office yesterday confident that arrangements were under way for the reopening of negotiations. What took place between his conversation with Ryan about 10 o'clock yesterday morning and 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when the committee of steamship agents voted to do business with nobody unless Ryan was a participant, was information that the attaches of Mayor Curley's office and the leaders of the striking longshoremen would like to obtain.

Curley Guarantees Dues

During the talk with Mayor Curley, it is said, Ryan spoke about the amount of dues that Local 800 owed the international union, and Mr Curley told him not to worry about money, as he would guarantee the payment of everything owed if the union found itself unable to care for it immediately. Ryan, it was said, suggested that a meeting be arranged as soon as possible to reopen negotiations.

As a result of the information given by Mayor Curley to Thomas H. Mahoney, attorney for the unions, officers of Local 800 filed a formal request by telegraph yesterday afternoon for the restoring of the charter and the reinstatement of the local in good standing with the International Longshoremen's Association.

The action of the steamship agents, according to Levins, was based on the ground that the men went on strike without the sanction of the international union, and therefor at the present time, as far as the local employers know, they are not a part of the international union.

Ryan Asserts Friendship

While the laws of the union declare the charter of a local union to be automatically revoked six months after the local falls in arrears in dues, the charter of Local 800 was not declared suspended until nine months after payments stopped. Each time a settlement appears in sight, the employers bring up the fact that Local 800 is not a member in good standing with the international union.

Ryan in a long-distance telephone interview last night stated that he had received the telegraphic requests for the restoring of the charter of Local 800 and had informed the local officers that the charter will be restored and the union returned to good standing on the payment of the nine months' dues owed and a renewal fee of $15.

He said that he is not insisting on being a party to any negotiations for a settlement of the strike and is willing to withdraw from the situation if John F. Mullen withdraws. He said that the members of the local unions have been given an idea that he is against their interests, but he is willing to appear before the men here and prove that he is their friend any time the union committee requests him to do so.

PLAN RECEPTION NOV 14 TO WILLIAM L. ANDERSON

A reception and banquet will be tendered Nov 14 to William L. Anderson of Jamaica Plain, who recently was elected senior vice commander-in-chief



WILLIAM L. ANDERSON

of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at their 50th annual convention in Des Moines, Ia.

Mr Anderson has been a member for 25 years. He served his camp and department in every office, being elected department commander in 1922, during which the organization initiated 1000 members. Mr Anderson is now serving as secretary in Mayor Curley's office.

URGES CITY SPENDING ON LONG TERM PLAN

Wisest Financial Method, Joint Committee Says

The Joint Committee on Municipal Finance, representing the Boston Real Estate Exchange and the Boston Chamber of Commerce, released a statement yesterday in which suggestion was made that the best way to insure the wisest possible use of the city's money is to prepare and carry out a long-term financial program for public improvements.

The statement say that several American cities have prepared these plans, including St Louis, Kansas City, Cleveland, and Schenectady. The statement, in part, follows:

"In the 12 years from 1920 to 1931, the City Government of Boston has authorized the expenditure of over $160,000,000 for capital outlays of all kinds.

"The future will witness the same experience as the past, in that continuous pressure will be exerted from two extremes: The demand for public improvements and the stern necessity of keeping taxes down. But regardless of that conflict, large expenditures for public improvements must inevitably be made in the next 12 years.

"In his inaugural message, Mayor Curley announced his intention of creating a committee to prepare such a plan for 'all activities of the municipality,' but as yet it has not been done. Recently he directed the Boston City Planning Board to devise a plan of public works with which to meet future depressions. Our suggestion contemplates no such restrictions upon the application of the plan. It is needed wholly apart from the presence or absence of periods of economic depression.

"We stated that we recognized the inevitability of future expenditures ... fact, the general dimensions of what is now demanded, point to the necessity for careful planning. The city already has a major thoroughfare plan which is estimated to cost $50,000,000 and to require 25 years to execute. School building needs for the next three years are said to cost $15,000,000; additional millions may be required thereafter.

"A $5,000,000 program for branch libraries, $3,000,000 for hospitals, $10,000,000 for airport developments, $10,000,000 for a civic center, $6,000,000 for police and fire stations, $50,000,000 for reconstruction of existing streets, unnamed millions for acceptance of over 1000 private streets, $5,000,000 for a new Courthouse, are some of the amounts commonly mentioned.

"In addition, sewerage works, bridge reconstruction, traffic signal lights, parks and playgrounds will require many millions of dollars more. If these projects are left to chance and annual pulling and hauling, the taxpayer's pocketbook may easily become a grab-bag, in which the loudest demand or the most attractive whim of the moment will be the determining factor, and actual merits will receive secondary thought.

"Whatever city administration inaugurates the plan will find it a monument far more lasting than any single construction project expected to perpetuate the memory of that administration."

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GREAT PORT PLAN

Using Plane Carriers as Liners Would Bring Bremen and Europa to Boston, Also

Behind the plans of Mayor Curley and the Boston Port Authority to take over from the government the navy airplane carriers Saratoga and Lexington, and to convert them into great liners to give four-day service from Boston to Europe, is a gigantic plan to boom the port of Boston and to place it again in the front rank in mercantile and marine centres of the world, it was revealed last night.

If the plan goes through and President Hoover and Congress consent to give up the ships, the German-owned liners Bremen and Europa will operate out of Boston instead of New York, and this city will gain tremendous advantage in the great battle for foreign trade and commerce, as well as becoming at least equally as important as New York in the matter of passenger traffic.

This was the picture painted last night by Thomas J. A. Johnson, member of the Boston Port Authority, who worked shoulder to shoulder with Mayor Curley in drawing up the plan and securing the financing, details of which were announced yesterday.

The extensive and amazing plan, revealed first in an exclusive story which appeared in The Post more than a month ago, has been worked out carefully and now seems assured of success, even to the most intimate details of financing, Mr. Johnson said.

Railroads to Finance

And if it doesn't go through, he predicted, Boston is done for all time as one of the important ports of the world. He said his statements represent the views of Mayor Curley and that the plans have been carried through after months of exhaustive study and hard work on the part of the Mayor.

The financing plans, Mr. Johnson said, are to have a corporation formed during the coming week, to have it backed financially by the principal railroads of New England and to have two great Boston banking houses, the First National Bank and Lee, Higginson Company, underwrite the paper of the railroads sponsoring the corporation which is to rebuild and operate the ships.

"Nothing else," Mr. Johnson said, "can bring back to the port of Boston the prestige it held 30 years ago. Nature has made Boston the most logical port on the Atlantic coast. Through lax methods and failure to keep abreast of the times, we lost the advantage we once had. Now we have a chance to get it back. It's now or never.

"What we need is one master stroke to direct the attention of the entire mercantile world to us, and this is the stroke. Today we are in a speed age. The one way for us to regain all we have lost is to establish a speed service to Europe. With these big boats we can give four-day, and possibly less, service to the European ports.

"We will be able to provide weekly service with the two great ships. Mayor Curley has been assured that, once we have established our own four-day service, the German line, with its great Bremen and Europa, will operate out of Boston.

"England has laid the keels for two gigantic ships to compete with the German boats. Italy and France also have laid keels. These big, new boats could not go to New York with five-day service when we will provide so much faster time. They would be forced to come here.

Every Advantage Here

"And the best part of Mayor Curley's plan is that he will have a merchant marine that is self-supporting and which, in time of a war emergency, can be converted at little cost and with little delay into a fighting fleet.

"Think what this will mean to the world if any general disarmament plan is accepted by all nations. These great liners, in peace time supporting themselves in merchant marine service, can be made into fighting ships in time of war. If they were the only fighting ships, those big liners of the various nations, they would be adequate for naval defence or battle.

"As far as Boston's natural supremacy over New York and the other ports of the Atlantic coast," he said, "the world agrees that it is. We have here a natural harbor, right on the ocean, not miles away from it, as is the port of New York.

"We have ship-side landings here, while New York uses lighters. We have everything. And we must get busy to develop the natural advantages."

He said U. S. Senator Wallace H. White, Jr., of Maine, co-author of the merchant marine act, has agreed to sponsor to President Hoover and Congress the de-commissioning of the aircraft carriers and their rebuilding as mail, passenger and express carriers.

Among those prominently identified with the plans for incorporation of the great enterprise, he said, are Laurence R. Wilder, naval engineer and consultant of the Boston Port Authority; Chairman Louis E. Kirstein and the other members of the Port Authority; Dean Wallace B. Donham of Harvard Business School, and the officials of the big railroads of New England.

An official statement issued by the Boston & Maine railroad last night said:

"The Boston & Maine railroad for several months has been co-operating with Mayor Curley and Laurence R. Wilder in studies to develop the practicability of a plan for establishing a transatlantic steamship service out of the port of Boston on a four-day schedule.

"If cuch a plan can be worked out, its value to the port of Boston and to New England should be great.

"So far as any financial undertaking is concerned, the Boston & Maine railroad has made no commitment. Its studies have been devoted to the operating and traffic phases of the plan, and the making available of the Boston & Maine railroad's foreign trade organizations in 700 commercial centres abroad, which was established recently by the road to increase traffic through New England ports and to promote the sale of products of New England industries."

PROTEST GROWING

One of the biggest meetings of political, civic and industrial leaders ever held in Boston is expected at the Boston Chamber of Commerce Tuesday noon to protest the closing of the navy yard, it was announced last night by officials of the chamber.

Governor Ely, Mayor Curley, Senators Walsh and Coolidge and all the Congressmen of Massachusetts are invited, as are hundreds of business men and civic officials. President Henry I. Harriman of the chamber issued the call for the meeting and said last night that already scores of acceptances have been received.

Harriman said that up to the present no statement has been made by the officials in Washington as to why the Boston navy yard should be closed and no reason why this particular yard is chosen for oblivion.

He said that as he understands the situation, the plan calls for maintenance of the yard which means retaining a force of men to guard the property, care for its valuable machinery and make repairs when necessary. People who have studied the matter he said, see but a slight saving in the closing.

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AIMEE, DESPITE DEFICIT, TO AID HUB POOR FUND

Revival, Said to Be "In Red," Ends Tonight; Children Pray for Healing

By WIN BROOKS

Despite a probable financial deficit, the poor of Boston are likely to benefit from Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton's revival.

A plan whereby she will give a sum to the city's welfare fund was under consideration by her and Richard Dunn, manager of the Boston Garden, last night, the Boston Sunday Advertiser learned.

It appeared likely that a certain sum, or the total of the free will offering at one of today's three closing meetings of the nine-day campaign, will be turned over to Mayor Curley by the evangelist.

By such a gesture, "Sister" Aimee will "turn the other cheek" to Mayor Curley, who, before the start of her revival, voiced an unexpected demand for one-half of the offering, above expenses, for poor relief.

At no meeting up to last night, despite crowds of 17,000 and larger on several nights, has the offering reached $2600, the announced expenses of each meeting, Dunn said. The offerings collected in advance for reserved seats are included in this count.

The largest sum collected on any one night has been $1900, or a little above 10 cents a head for a meeting of 18,000 attendance.

Although no official collection figures have been announced since the opening night, it is estimated that the total, including last night's offering, is in the vicinity of $13,000. The expenses for the same period total $20,800.

About 125,000 persons have attended the meetings.

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Tea at the Tees



—Photo by Boston Sunday Advertiser Staff Photographer.

MAYOR JAMES M. CURLEY christens the trophies which he has contributed and will also present to the winners of the Newspapermen's Golf Association championship tournament at Franklin Park golf course tomorrow.

HUGE AIRPLANE CARRIERS FOR SHIP LINE HERE

Corporation Being Formed to Make Lexington and Saratoga Passenger Boats

Plans for a huge local shipping project, featuring possible four-day crossings between Boston and Europe by naval airplane carriers converted into liners, are expected to materialize this week with the filing of incorporation papers in the State House.

The project is to be handled by the New England Transoceanic Corp. for which papers have been drawn, according to reports, and is to be part of the development of the port of Boston by the Port Authority.

The chief feature of the plan is the proposal to acquire from the Navy Department the airplane carriers Saratoga and Lexington, if President Hoover agrees, and convert them into express mail and passenger steamships.

The Boston Port Authority, with Mayor Curley, Laurence R. Wilder, whose company built the Saratoga; Thomas J. A. Johnson; Prof. Wallace B. Donham, dean of Harvard Business School, and James L. Richards were said to be connected with the initial stages of the project.

Conferences have been held with officials of the New Haven, Boston & Albany, Boston & Maine and the Pennsylvania railroads, in connection with operation and traffic features.

Initial financing up to $7,000,000 is reported to have been undertaken by the First National Bank and Lee, Higginson & Co.

Dispatches from Washington last night said Sen. Wallace H. White of Maine admitted he had been approached on the question, and expressed interest in it. He said he understood negotiations were nearing the navy.

UTAH GOVERNOR FOR ROOSEVELT

Mayor Curley's campaign to obtain support of Democratic leaders for Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt as Democratic nominee for the presidency continues to bear fruit.

Most recent of those to enroll under the Roosevelt banner is Governor George H. Dern of Utah. In a letter to the mayor yesterday he wrote:

"The sentiment in Utah is very strongly in favor of Governor Roosevelt and I can assure you that his nomination and election will give me real pleasure."

Congressman Milton A. Romjue of Macon, Mo., wrote that the Democrats of that State would be with Roosevelt in the event that their own statesman, United States Senator James A. Reed, does not seek that honor.

"Governor Roosevelt of New York is our one best bet in 1932," was the message of Congressman Harry C. Canfield of Batesville, Ind., and Congressman Patrick J. Boland wrote: "I am very much in favor of Governor Roosevelt as our next President."

HERALD 10/18/31

SONS OF VETERANS TO HONOR ANDERSON

William L. Anderson, recently elected national senior vice-commander-in-chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, will be given a testimonial reception and banquet by members of Boston patriotic organizations at the Hotel Westminster, Nov. 14.

Anderson, who is a secretary to Mayor Curley and active in the affairs of several patriotic groups, has been a member of the Sons of Union Veterans for 25 years. His home is at 65 Arborway, Jamaica Plain.

National, state and city officials will be present at the reception. Entertainment and dancing will follow the banquet in his honor.

The committee in charge of the reception includes members of organizations in which Anderson also holds membership. The committee follows: Mrs. Mary R. Carr of Melrose, chairman; Charles H. Moran, Holyoke; Thomas McMahon, Hyde Park; Mrs. O'Connell, Charlestown; Anna White, Greenfield; Mary Maxwell, Hyde Park; Josephine McGuire, South Boston; Chester White, Florence; Mrs. Alice Powers, Dorchester; Mrs. Wilfret, Dorchester; James Murray, Roxbury, and Charles Flanagan, Boston.

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Wave of Protest Over Plan to Close Navy Yard

The wave of protest against the decision of the Navy Department to close the Boston Navy Yard as a part of the Administration's economy program continued to rise throughout the State today. Already the opposition to the proposal, which would throw 1500 men out of work and result in a loss of an annual payroll of $3,000,000, has gained such proportions that its opponents are confident that it will be defeated by congressional action.

It is not the first time that threats have been made to close the Boston yard, but it has always remained open and will remain open for many months longer, even if Congress should agree with the budget proposals and fail to appropriate the necessary funds to maintain it, for it is now operating under an appropriation made by the last Congress which is ample to carry it until next June. The cuts which the Navy Department is now making in its budget for the next two years will come before Congress next winter and Congress will have the last word about the size of the appropriations for the Navy and the closing of the Boston yard.

Organize for Action

Meanwhile, every possible influence is being organized here against the proposal. The Massachusetts delegation in Congress, public officials, and civic and veterans' organizations are being united in solid opposition to the plan. The first formal protest meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday noon at the Boston Chamber of Commerce and has been called by Henry I. Harriman, president of the chamber, to make plans not only to prevent the closing of the yard, but to make sure of its continued operation on a basis of equality with navy yards in other parts of the country. In inviting a large group of prominent business men and leaders of other civic and veterans' organizations to the meeting, President Harriman wrote, "The Chamber of Commerce believes that good and sufficient reasons exist why, despite the necessity for economy, the Boston Navy Yard should be kept intact."

Mayor Curley forwarded to Secretary of the Navy Adams the proposal that instead of abandoning the navy yard the naval budget be cut by converting the airplane carriers Saratoga and Lexington into passenger ships to operate on a four-day service between Boston and Europe. The mayor said that a group of financiers was being organized in New England to carry out the plan by Laurence P. Wilder, president of the New York Shipbuilding Company, which built the Saratoga. The transfer of the ships to private interests would result in an annual maintenance saving of $8,000,000, the mayor said, and would make it unnecessary to discharge a single man now employed at the Boston Navy Yard, besides proving a tremendous impetus to the commerce of Boston.

To Fight "Tooth and Nail"

Senator David I. Walsh said, "If the Administration insists on closing the Charlestown yard we shall have to fight it tooth and nail in Congress. The people of Massachusetts may depend upon their representatives in Washington to fight this move of false economy. Republicans and Democrats, I am sure, will unite in preventing the closing of one of the oldest and best equipped yards in the country, throwing 1800 employees out of work and adding to the large numbers seeking employment."

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LONGSHOREMEN ASK OPERATORS TO REPLY

Strikers Want an Early Decision on Conference

The wage conference committee of the striking longshoremen sent a letter to the Boston Steamship Committee yesterday, asking for a reply to the renewed request for a conference, within 48 hours. The letter calls attention to the letter sent Thursday in which the union men declared they were ready to meet the local committee in conference, if such conference was sanctioned by the New York headquarters of the international union.

A representative of the operators' committee admitted that such a letter had been received and said that, in all probability, it will be answered tomorrow, which, he asserted, comes within the 48 hours set by the union's committee for an official reply. He declared, however, that the operators yesterday reaffirmed the position taken by them Friday afternoon, that they will not do business with the local committee, unless Joseph P. Ryan of New York, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, is present at the proposed conferences.

The Port Authority, through its secretary, Richard Parkhurst, last night denied telephoning to Ryan yesterday, urging him to come to Boston to take a hand in an attempt to settle the strike. The board has had this idea in mind for several days, but has taken no action.

Over the long-distance telephone from New York Friday night, Pres Ryan declared he would not come into Boston unless he was invited by the members of the Longshoremen's union, and advised the calling of special meetings of the locals to determine their sentiment toward his coming here.

According to representatives of the wage conference committee, no meetings of the Longshoremen's unions will be called until after the committee receives a reply from the Boston steamship committee tomorrow.

It is understood that there may be a meeting of the full wage conference committee of the unions this afternoon at the Grain and Flour Exchange Building. It is believed the committee favors placing before the local unions for decision the question of inviting Pres Ryan to come to Boston.

Pres Ryan yesterday reiterated his statement to Mayor Curley and the press, that the charter of Local 800, of which John P. Mullen is president, will be restored. He said he received a telegram from Mullen asking that a new charter be issued and that he replied that the international will issue a charter upon payment of nine months' dues and the $15 charter fee. The local will arrange to meet these terms.

NAVY DAY WILL BE OBSERVED OCT 27

Yard and Vessels Open to the Public

"Navy Day" will be observed Tuesday, Oct 27 at the United States Navy Yard at Charlestown. The Navy League of the United States has designated next Sunday as "Navy Day" and there will be exercises in all Navy Yards and stations in the country.

In Boston the program will get under way Monday night Oct 26 when Mayor Curley will speak at 7:30 p m from Station WNAC. There will be music by the Navy Yard Band before and after the oration.

The Navy Yard and Naval vessels stationed there will be open to the public. Regular activities will be carried on but provision has been made to facilitate public inspection. Naval Reserve units will assist in the observance.

Vessels present at the Navy Yard will be the destroyers Schenck and Jacob Jones; the gunboat Asheville and the fuel ship Brazos. Other vessels in commission at the yard will be the U. S. S. Wandank, U. S. S. Eagle, U. S. C. G. Tampa and Mojave, U. S. C. G. Herndon, Conyngham, Cassin, Wilkes and Wainwright; U. S. C. G. Acushnet and U. S. S Southery.

It had also been planned to have the destroyer Tillman at the yard but an order recently came through, sending this vessel to New Bedford.

The program at the Navy Yard will open at 8 a m and will be brought to a close at 4:30 p m. All Navy Yard shops will be open for inspection. From 3:30 to 4:30 there will be a band concert.

The national chairman has arranged for a chain broadcast program of the National Broadcasting Company from 10 to 10:30 p m. It is planned to have a broadcast from the deck of the Constitution if possible, followed by a broadcast from the Akron in the air.

The Columbia Broadcasting Company will have a program from 1 until 1:30 p m.

AMERICAN 10/19/31

CURLEY STANDS PAT ON SHIPS

Regardless of whether they are converted into merchant vessels, the airplane carriers Saratoga and Lexington, according to present naval schedules, will probably be kept in commission only two years more anyway, Mayor Curley said today.

The mayor made this statement when informed that his suggestion that the big ships be turned over to the Shipping Board and converted into speedy passenger ships had aroused a storm of indignation in some sections.

It is his belief that the $8,000,000 operating expenses of the craft could be used to keep the Boston navy yard open and 2000 Massachusetts residents in unemployment.

"Under naval procedure both of these vessels would be retired in two years and in the event that they were used as merchant ships under the Shipping Board Act, the government would have the right at any time in case of war to restore them to the service," the mayor said.

"Converted into merchant ships they would serve the same purpose that would be served by the Bremen and Europa, the Empress of Britain or the Ile de France as convoys or transportation of troops and supplies.

"Regardless of what may be said by naval authorities or members of Congress, the fact remains that it is a sound business proposition and one that merits serious consideration from the naval authorities, both from the stand point of national defense and commerce."

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Haven't Made Expenses

"We have not made out expenses. We really hope to come out over the top. We have faith we will and I know that the Mayor has faith that we will, for we hope we can help the unemployed. It's not for me, it is for the expenses of the campaign.

A love offering was taken for Aimee. When the baskets had been passed Aimee told of her visit to City Hall to meet Boston's "charming" Mayor and how he suggested she divide her revival profits.

Mayor Missing

"I asked him to come down and take up the collection," she said, while the crowd laughed and applauded. "I wonder if he is here tonight."

Twenty-two thousand necks cranned, but there was no Mayor and Aimee remarked he was a busy man.

"But I want to do one thing before I go," she stated, "I want to show that I did my best. I haven't spared myself in this revival a bit. I've given everything. Now I want to take up a collection for the unemployed. Husband, give me $5 until I get home. We will see that every penny of this collection is turned over to the Mayor at City Hall tomorrow."

$26,000 Park Work Contracted by Mayor

Improvements in the park system calling for expenditures of more than $26,000 were approved by Mayor Curley at the request of Park Commissioner William P. Long today. The Guaranty Construction Co. received a contract for improvements at the Stanley Ringer Playground, Allston, of $18,439; P. J. Dinn Co. was commissioned to place wire fences around the baseball field at Boston Common at a cost of $4100 and A. Solomando received a contract for improvements at the William J. Barry Playground, Charlestown, at $4093.

Solarium at L St. Bath Opens Tuesday

The solarium at the new L st. bathhouse in South Boston will be opened to the public tomorrow. A charge of 25 cents for the use of the showers and a cot in the solarium will be made. Park Commissioner Long said today the solarium will be open daily until June 15, from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Persons suffering from colds, infections and contagious diseases will be barred from the place, he said. Smoking will be prohibited and no person will be permitted to enter the solarium without first taking a shower.

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PRAISES MAYOR CURLEY

Mrs. Hutton had only praise for Mayor Curley and spoke feelingly of his concern for the unemployed and his remark that religion and charity go hand in hand. When she had concluded an account of her meeting with the mayor, she turned to her husband at the piano and said, "Husband, lend me $5."

He gave her a five dollar bill, and the evangelist raised it in her hand and said, "Now I'm going to take another collection for the unemployed. It's going right to Mayor Curley and the unemployed tomorrow morning. And if the offerings of today's services show that our expenses have been paid, we'll split with the unemployed too."

There was murmuring in the audience, which had given its offering but a minute or two previously, then a spatter of applause, and some laughter. Then from all over the house came the chink of coins and the noise of movements towards pockets and handbags.

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Operators Still Insist on Ryan

Reiterating the stand taken by the steamship operators' committee on Friday that they will not consider entering into further negotiations with the wage scale committee of the Boston District Council, International Longshoremen's Association, unless President Joseph Ryan is called to Boston from New York, a letter was addressed to union officials today stating that a conference without Ryan present could serve no good purpose toward reaching a settlement of the longshoremen's strike.

The letter, addressed to Joseph F. Connolly, secretary of the Boston District Council, from Irving T. Sorge, secretary of the steamship operators' committee, in answer to a request Saturday from the delegates of the union for a conference, follows:

"I am directed by the steamship operators to point out to you that your action in calling a strike of the men you represent before calling a meeting of the men, and before meeting our committee, and in later calling them out in the face of protests and against the advice of your international president, leads our committee to believe that a meeting between the two committees would serve no good purpose unless attended by Ryan."

Members of the operators committee intimated that a meeting between the committees is possible and only requires arrangements by the delegates for the strikers to request the presence of President Ryan.

John J. Doolin, vice president of the International Longshoremen's Association, this afternoon conferred with Mayor Curley and later planned to visit the Boston District Council headquarters in the Grain & Flour Exchange, 177 Milk street.

GLOBE 10/20/31

CURLEY REQUESTS PUBLIC TO DIM LIGHTS TOMORROW

Mayor Curley today directed Supt of Buildings John P. Englert and City Messenger Edward Leary to see that flags on public buildings are half-staffed tomorrow, the day of the funeral of Thomas A. Edison, "a former resident of Boston, whose labors during an entire lifetime have been of enduring benefit to mankind the world over."

The Mayor also requested that the public dim lights in their homes and places of business for one minute at 7 p m.

HERALD 10/19/31

KEEP YARD OPEN, CONRY DEMANDS

He Says Boston's Harbor Projects Could Have Been Built at Less Cost

A demand that the Federal government keep the Boston Navy Yard open on the ground that were it not for the present location, Boston's many harbor projects, including the new traffic tunnel, might have been built at far less cost, was made yesterday afternoon by Joseph A. Conry, traffic commissioner, representing Mayor Curley, before the Cork Men's Association at Hibernian Hall, Charlestown.

Objections of the navy department to plans for a tidewater-level bridge because of its possible damage to the yard, Conry said, were respected by Mayor Curley who then entered into the $16,000,000 contract for the East Boston traffic tunnel.

Similarly, he said, the great drydock built by the state at South Boston was urged as an auxiliary to the yard, and the government should maintain a machine shop as an adjunct to the airport on which the city has spent such large sums.

LORD MAYOR TITT SAILS FOR ENGLAND

Honored by New Bedford Group on Laconia

Lord Mayor George Titt of Manchester, England, who has been feted in New England cities, returned home yesterday on the Cunard liner Laconia, having boarded the ship at New York. At the East Boston pier he was greeted by G. F. Almond, president of the British Day Society of New Bedford, accompanied by James Ranicer, vice-president of the organization, who presented him, in behalf of Mayor C. F. Ashley, city documents of 1931, a manual of the General Court, 1931-2, and reports prepared by Chief of Police S. J. McLeod and A. P. Keith, superintendent of schools, that city.

In absence of Mayor Curley the city of Boston was represented at the presentation by Standish Willcox of the bureau of social relations. Mayor Titt said he had visited, besides Boston, Manchester, N. H.; Manchester, Ct.; Washington and New York, and expressed a very great and deep appreciation of kindness and courtesy bestowed on Lady Mayoress Titt and himself. He had heard, while in this country, that his home municipality shows signs of business improvement.

Mrs. Kenneth Lindsey, who was formerly Miss Ann Currier, was returning to Culworth, England, from a visit in Needham. John Reece, Boston manufacturer, sailed on a business trip of several weeks and will proceed to England and the continent. Mrs. Hattie Viola Stephenson of Andover goes to Bradford, England, on a visit. Dr. W. J. Alvarez of London, who attended the Mayo clinic, was returning home. Dr. John F. McCusker of Providence sailed on a short general tour. Mr. and Mrs. Preston Upham of this city were travelling to England and the continent.

Others on board were Miss Margaret Donaher of Woburn, Mrs. Alice Wills of Braintree, Mrs. Edith A. Thornley of Hyannis, W. H. Jackson, Miss Dorothy Bruce, Mrs. Margaret Wesson Murray, Miss Jean Wesson Murray of Cambridge, Mrs. R. E. Glendenning of Billerica.

The Laconia embarked here 70 cabin passengers, 75 tourist and 104 third class and put to sea about 4:30 P.M.

SALVATION ARMY TO OPEN BIG DRIVE

Ely and Curley Will Help Launch $150,000 Appeal at Luncheon Tomorrow

The opening of the annual plea for maintenance funds for the Salvation Army will take place tomorrow at noon at the Hotel Statler, when hundreds of civic and business leaders, including Gov. Ely and Mayor Curley, will attend a luncheon to add impetus to the drive.

The $150,000 goal of the Army will be reached if everybody will do their bit and Mayor Curly, firmly behind the drive, will make the opening address of the meeting and the drive will be officially started.

Culminating on Nov. 7, it is hoped that the response of the ever generous public will be sufficient so that the 24 institutions and departments of the Salvation Army may be kept running and be able to aid all those in need.

Col. Joseph Atkinson, commanding the New England forces, will be in active charge of the drive and Allan Forbes, treasurer of the State Street Trust Co., will receive all checks and donations towards the goal of the drive.

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ELY AND MAYOR BACK EXHIBIT OF INDUSTRIES

The annual meeting and exhibit of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, which is to be held this week at the Copley-Plaza Hotel, will be officially sponsored by both Governor Ely and Mayor Curley.

Yesterday afternoon, Mayor Curley broadcast over radio station WEEI a talk on Labor and Industry in Massachussets as a prelude to the annual meeting of the 1600 leading industrialists of the State.

The Exposition will be officially opened at 10 this morning, and at 6:15 p. m., Governor Ely will broadcast over radio station WBZ the opening invitation and will discuss timely problems concerning labor and industry in Massachusetts.

The Associated Industries' annual exposition of Massachusetts-made products which is to be conducted Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 o'clock in the morning to 10 o'clock in the evening will show many hundreds of Massachusetts-made products both in completed form and in the making.

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RAISED $908.10 FOR CITY'S UNEMPLOYED

In her nine-day revival in Boston Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton held 15 services. The total of her collections and love offering will not be made known until today. At a special collection last night $908.10 was raised for the unemployed.

Billy Sunday, in his 1916 campaign, held a 10-week revival and spoke to 1,539,500 people. For current expenses $95,000 was raised, and he received a free-will offering of $55,000.

Gipsy Smith, during his three weeks' campaign, talked to a total of 280,500 people in the Boston Garden and Tremont Temple. The collections were estimated at $27,000. The love offering was $10,000, and Gipsy gave one-third of it to his pianist "Eddie" Young.

Aimee, before the sermon, informed the audience she was "standing by her promise" to share any profits of the revival with the unemployed. Last night's collection, it was explained, will not be counted until today.

She referred to her meeting last Monday with Mayor Curley, and told of his promise to come to one of her meetings to help in taking up the collection.

"I wonder if Mayor Curley is here tonight," she said. She then announced the special collection for Boston's jobless.

Her sermon, the most dramatic of her entire series, she preached with a dynamic emotion which swept the crowd in a forvor of response. At one point in her vivid story of Calvary, she was forced to stop when great cries of "Hallelujah" broke forth.

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ARMISTICE DAY CHANGE URGED

Combining Observance With Thanksgiving Suggested

Observance of Armistice Day was the subject of a conference between Mayor Curley, representatives of the American Legion and Legion Auxiliaries of the State at City Hall today. Mayor Curley suggested to the Legionnaires that they consider the advisability of combining Armistice Day observances with those of Thanksgiving Day. He also told his visitors to consider carefully a proposition that all holidays be observed on the Saturday of the week in which they occur with the exception of Christmas Day and especially the Fourth of July.

Mayor Curley made public the following letter from Sidney S. Conrad, president of the Retail Trade Board of the Chamber of Commerce, on the matter of Armistice Day:

"I have your letter of the 15th relative to a conference with the American Legion as to observance of Armistice Day. It has been the universal practice of stores in large metropolitan cities throughout the United States, and of business generally in countries like Great Britain, Canada, France and others, to cease all activity of any kind for two minutes at 11 a m on Armistice Day. The two-minute silence period is the acknowledge practice throughout the world and has been urged through proclamations of the President of the United States. A large number of Boston stores have followed this practice and will continue to do so.

In other leading cities retail and other establishments are always open for business on Armistice Day. This practice, as in former years, will be also followed in Boston."

Boston stores observe more holidays by closing than any other large cities as you will see from the following list: Boston, 9; Los Angeles, 6; New York, 7; Brooklyn, 7; St Louis, 5½; San Francisco, 7; Detroit, 6; St Paul, 6; Chicago, 6; Washington, D C, 6½; Philadelphia 5; Newark, 7; Baltimore, 6; Cleveland, 6½ and Pittsburg 6.

The burden of so many holidays on Boston business is a great one. Boston stores have always been open on Armistice Day. To close on this day is to add an additional burden to a business which is operating on a very narrow margin of profit. With unemployment conditions as they are today, business should be given every encouragement to build up and keep people on the job. Successful retail business reflects itself on factory and mill employment as well as on other lines related to retail distribution and on the welfare of the city staff. We feel sure that you do not wish to place any obstacles in the way of effort by Boston merchants to keep the wheels of industry going.

"The Legion, as in previous years, is asking retail stores to close on Armistice Day, although it has raised no objection to automobile stores, theatres, dance halls and other activities doing business on that day. Our stores have always observed the spirit of Armistice Day. We have always given the day off with full pay to war veterans. We have contributed liberally to activities of veteran orgaizations. We are trying to keep our people employed without reducing wages. We recognize the importance of keeping industry going and so reduce unemployment.

"In view of these conditions, the governors of the Retail Trade Board cannot see that anything is to be gained by attending such a meeting as the Legion requests. I shall be very glad to meet you personally at any time to discuss this as we have done in the past and at which times you have always shown a broad-minded attitude, but I must ask to be excused from attending the meeting Monday."

LORD MAYOR TITT SENDS FAREWELL FROM SS LACONIA

"Deeply Touched by Kindly Spirit of New England," He Says When Liner Calls at Boston



LORD MAYOR GEORGE F. TITT AND LADY TITT

"I have been deeply touched by the kindly spirit of New England and I am taking home with me many cherished American friendships," Lord Mayor George F. Titt of Manchester, Eng, said yesterday as he sailed out of Boston on the Cunarder Laconia, homeward bound.

As representatives of Mayor Charles F. Ashley of New Bedford and of the British Day Society, G. F. Almond, president of the society, and John Ranicar, vice president, came to the ship to present the Lord Mayor with a set of city documents of New Bedford and a manual of the General Court. In the absence of Mayor Curley, Standish Willcox, one of the Mayor's secretaries, gave this city's farewell to the English Lord Mayor and his wife.

They embarked on the Laconia at New York, after visiting Manchester, N H, Boston, Manchester, Conn, New York and Washington.

Mrs Kenneth Lindsey, daughter of Guy Currier, sailed to return to Culworth, Eng, after a visit in Boston. Other passengers in the cabin class included John Reece of Gloucester st, of the International Buttonhole Sewing Machine Company of this city, on a business trip to England; Mrs Hattie Viola Stephenson, Andover; Mrs E. R. Glendenning, Billerica; Miss Dorothy Bruce, Cambridge; Miss Margaret McMahon, Dorchester; W. H. Jackson, Cambridge; Bert Turnbull, Newburyport; Miss Anne Proctor, Newton Upper Falls; Mr and Mrs Robert Sjastrom, Lawrence; Miss Frances Horrocks, Mrs Fanny Walsh, Fall River; Dr John F. McCusker, Providence.

Again Negro strikebreakers worked the cargo of the Laconia, some 100 tons, while a small police guard stood about. The Laconia is bound to Queenstown and Liverpool.

AMERICAN 10/19/31

City Asks Theater Men for Poor Relief

The City Council, under suspension of the rules, voted unanimously today to ask Mayor Curley to call a meeting of all theater owners and urge that they donate one cen tof the price received from every ticket to the welfare department for poor relief. Councillor Francis H. [illegible] of Dorchester intro[illegible]

GLOBE 10/18/31

Ely Expected to Run

No one knows what may happen in politics. The chances are that if Gov Ely were to retire at the end of his present term Mayor Curley of Boston would walk off with the Democratic nomination for Governor; there seems to be no one in sight who could defeat the latter. But, if Gov Ely is reelected—and most people think he will be a candidate for a second term—conditions may be so different in 1934 that Mayor Curley, who will then be an ex-Mayor of Boston, will find it by no means easy to defeat Mayor Russell, or someone like him in the Democratic primary.

Mayor Curley, of course, has these things in mind. He makes no secret of his ambition to be Governor; he would like to be a candidate while he is still in the Boston City Hall, because he will be much stronger while he is in than when he is out of office. These are the reasons which lead some to think the Mayor will run against Gov Ely in next year's primary, but the general belief is that the Mayor will wait two years and take his chances then. Perhaps at that time he may occupy an office which outranks the mayoralty of Boston. If Gov Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York is elected President in 1932 he will be able to pay the obligation he must feel for Mayor Curley's efforts in his behalf.

TRANSCRIPT 10/19/31

Mayor to Get the Figures on Aimee's "Mite"

Accounts Will Show Whether Unemployed of City Get More Than $908 Raised Last Night

Until Richard G. Dunn, manager o Boston Garden, presents the debit and credit figures to Mayor Curley sometime today, the world and the press will no know the answer to the question which has been on everybody's lips since Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, the L. s An geles evangelist, had the memorable in terview with the mayor the day after her arrival. "How much did Aimee make?" Aside from a special collection last night —after the regular collection had been taken up—and 22,000 in the audience contributed $908.90 it is doubted tha the needy of Boston will receive anything on the 50-50 split above expenses suggested by the mayor.

Aimee and "Dave," her husband, swep out for New York in a blaze of glory Their police escort was even more necessary at the "New Haven d pot" as Aimee called it when inviting her audiences t see her off, than at her dressing room a the Garden. More than 3000 men and women were packed into a solid mass to see the evangelist leave on the midnight train and in forcing a way through the crowd both Aimee and Dave were kissed by admirers, male and female, respectively. Aimee's tailored perfection was a bit rumpled by the time she reached the train. Today they are in New York seeking to resume their deferred honeymoon if they can find shelter from reporters and photographers, before opening a re-

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Mayor Curley's Generosity With American Taxpayers' Thirteen Thousand Million

Mayor Curley has cancelled our war debts of late with impetuous generosity.

They amount to some thirteen thousand million dollars. That is a tidy sum, even for the Mayor.

In the Mayor's enthusiasm for debtor foreign Nations, he doubtlessly would avoid anything that might bring them into disrepute.

He ought, therefore, to advise them, privately if necessary, that to run out on their debts, honestly contracted, is the one contemptible lapse from virtue certain to lose for them such little respect as they have been able to save among the people of America.

These are DEBTS, not gifts. The people of America dug into their pockets for these thirteen thousand million dollars. They gave themselves and their money on a wave of patriotic ardor to save these debtor Nations and foreign people from utter extinction.

When you loan a man money to build a home, you expect him to pay you. An honest, upright New Englander will pay you, even if he has to deprive himself and his family.

But when you loan Nations billions to save them from utter collapse and ruin, to preserve their very identity as Nations, you have every right to expect that they will PAY you with promptitude and gratitude and not play the role of quibblers and cheap welshers.

France, like a mortgage collector, was rapping at OUR doors, demanding that we pay her Revolutionary loans to us, EVEN BEFORE OUR FOREFATHERS HAD ESTABLISHED A FISCAL AND CURRENCY SYSTEM FOR THE NEW UNITED STATES.

WE PAID. AND IN FULL.

We have cancelled in excess of 51 per cent, more than half, of the vast sums we loaned to France when she was on the verge of utter rout and defeat. Yet she hesitates, ducks, dodges and avoids while embryonic statesmen in this country encourage her to believe that if she holds out long enough she will not have to pay a nickel.

If she doesn't pay, and if the others do not pay, who will? The American taxpayers, of course. They will pay. These billions will come out of their pockets, not out of the Mayor's.

Calvin Coolidge has had somewhat more experience in national and international affairs than the Mayor. And Mr. Coolidge said in his homely, honest, effective way:

"If we have any money to give away, we ought to be giving it to Americans, not to foreigners."

Mr. Coolidge said that WHEN TIMES WERE PROSPEROUS.

If it held good then, how much more salient it is today, when the business of American officials, from Pennsylvania Avenue to School Street, ought to be affording work and relief for American people instead of loading them down with burden which would expand their hardships and impede their recover from distress.

The Mayor has done well in Boston. We want him to serv us here. The people across the ocean have their own mayors and their own statesmen very capable and loyal in looking out for their own interests.

GLOBE 10/20/31

SALVATION ARMY DRIVE FOR $150,000 STARTS

Need of Funds to Maintain 24 Institutions Told to 300 at Luncheon

The Salvation Army campaign for $150,000, to maintain its 24 institutions in this year of emergency ,opened today with a luncheon for campaign chairmen of committees in the Georgian room of the Hotel Statler.

The aim of the Salvation Army this year is to get much larger donations from well-to-do persons. Many of the contributors of small sums in past years are among the unemployed now and are in dire need of help. There were 300 men and women present. Philip R. Allen, chairman of the general campaign committee, presided.

At the head table were Col Joseph Atkinson, commander-in-chief of the New England forces of the Salvation Army; Former Lieut Gov Edward P. Barry, Sidney S. Conrad, vice chairman of the army's advisory board; Mrs George R. Fearing, chairman of the women's committee; Brig T. W. Hargreaves, general secretary of the army; Pliny Jewell, Mrs B. F. Merriam, J. Arthur Moriarty, City Collector William M. McMorrow, Thomas A. Mullen, director of Commercial, Industrial and Publicity Bureau of the city of Boston, representing Mayor Curley; Rear Admiral L. M. Nulton, John F. O'Connell, State Treasurer Charles F. Hurley, Maj Gen Fox Connors of the 1st Corps Area, United States Army; J. Weston Allen and Mrs Philip R. Allen.

Thomas A. Mullen, speaking for the Mayor, made a stirring appeal to the public of Greater Boston to aid the Salvation Army in raising $150.000. He spoke of the work being performed by the Staniford -st Nursery, the Evangeline Booth Home, the Roxbury Clinic, the People's Palace, where 5000 free beds were provided the past year, and Wonderland, the army's fresh air camp at Sharon, which took care of 2000 children and several hundred mothers the past Summer. He also mentioned the 8hanksgiving and Christmas dinners given annually by the army and also prison welfare work being performed by the army

Robert L. Ripley came in at the close of the campaign luncheon, escorted by Carroll Swan.

Mr Ripley made a characteristic address.

"There is no greater or more worthy cause than the Salvation Army. You can believe it or not."

To Aid the Cold and Hungry

Mayor Curley sent word that he would do everything in his power to assist the Salvation Army in its campaign. He was quoted as saying: "I've pared here and I've pared there because I want to help the cause of the unfortunate. I am going to do everything I can during the coming Winter to aid the man or child who is cold and hungry."

Charles F. Hurley, State treasurer, who represented Gov Ely, promised that the Commonwealth employes would contribute double the amount they usually have to the Salvation Army annual campaign. He has a special interest in the Salvation Army and its continued success. He said that his mother died when he ewas 5, his father when he was 12, and from his boyhood to manhood a member of the Salvation Army presided over the household.

The Salvation Army depends upon the general public for its maintenance, Mr Allen, the chairman, said in his address. Last year there were 140,000 contributors.

Through long experience the Salvation Army is specially equipped to sympathize and answer appeals.

His message to the public is: "Those who can give, give more."

Mrs George R. Fearing, chairman of the women's, gave an optimistic address.

TRANSCRIPT 10/20/31

Approves Sale of Land to Hospital

By a vote of 19 to 2, the City Council yesterday afternoon passed the order permitting the sale of the city-owned land in North Grove street to the Massachusetts General Hospital. This action followed withdrawal by Councilor John I. Fitzgerald of the West End of objections to the sale by residents of the district, including Martin M. Lomasney.

Fitzgerald explained his position by stating that assurance had been given by Mayor Curley that the yard of the sanitary service, which has been on the North Grove street property for years, will be re-established in the Lomasney district. The mayor is expected to approve the order today, transferring to the hospital for $148,800 the abandoned North Grove street fire station and the city stables on two parcels of land with a total area of 24,800 feet, making the price $6 a foot.

The council approved the reimbursement of Patrolman Arthur V. Fraher in the sum of $547.50, representing a judgment against him, following the death of Aaron Arensberg of Dorchester, who was knocked down by the patrolman's motorcycle at Columbia road, April 24, 1927.

Liability insurance on city-owned automobiles was provided by the council by adoption of an act of the 1931 Legislature permitting the city to reimburse its motor vehicle operators for damages in accidents in which they are involved in the line of duty.

The council passed an order presented by Councilor Fitzgerald requesting the mayor to confer with Sheriff John A. Keliher for the purpose of providing adequate recreation space for the inmates of Charles Street Jail, part of which has been taken for the widening of Charles street and the construction of the traffic circle at the Boston end of Longfellow bridge.

Aimee to Divide $68.42 with Mayor

By the "agreement" Mayor Curley made with Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, the Los Angeles evangelist, for a 50-50 division of the profits of her Boston Garden revival, the unemployed and poor of Boston would receive $32.41, according to figures released last night by Richard G. Dunn, manager of the Garden, and Frederick C. Winters, Mrs. Hutton's business manager. But, instead of this total, through the speeial collection of $908.90 Mrs. Hutton took up at the closing service Sunday night, the mayor will receive a check today for $941.31. Total receipts were given as $23,506.30 and expenses $23,441.48.

Aimee has cancelled her plans for opening a revival in Philadelphia on Oct. 25, according to word received here today, because Gipsy Smith, the evangelist, is scheduled to open a series of meetings in that city next Sunday night. Mrs. Hutton will open a revival in Providence, R. I., where she lived with her second husband, next Friday night.

More than 300 persons attended the first of the follow-up meetings of the Hutton revival in Paine Memorial Hall last night. The meeting was conducted by Rev. W. Lloyd McLam, minister of the Four Square Gospel Church in Dorchester and Rev. Charles M. Leaming, a graduate of Angelus Temple. Services will be held each night this week except Saturday and on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights next week.

Post 10/20/31

NAVY YARD MUST NOT BE CLOSED

Storm of Letters and Wires Going to President

LEADERS WILL MEET AT CHAMBER TODAY

Veterans of Wars to Unite in Plea to Capital

Plans to bring about a tremendous storm of letters and telegrams upon the offices of President Hoover and Secretary Adams of the navy were made yesterday as veterans and civic organizations called upon their membership to bombard Washington with protests against the proposed closing of the Charlestown Navy Yard.

As officers of the various organizations were getting their plans into action yesterday, the Boston City Council voiced its protest, the Legislature was requested to consider the matter during its special session on automobile rates and Governor Ely received a formal request from Congressman John J. Douglass to lodge a personal plea with the President and Navy Secretary.

Today a big meeting of civic and industrial leaders will be held at the Chamber of Commerce to consider further plans for blocking the proposal to scrap the navy yard as a measure to effect economy on the next federal budget, which will be presented to Congress at its convening in December. President Henry I. Harriman of the chamber will preside and big industrial and business leaders, together with prominent city, State and government officers, without regard to party lines, will be among the speakers.

The Spanish War Veterans, the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Disabled Veterans of the World war joined hands yesterday, to bring about a general protest from among their ranks to Washington. Each of the organizations called upon their members throughout the State to write or wire the President, Secretary Adams, and their Congressmen and Senators.

Asks Legion Aid

Commander Stephen C. Garrity, commander of the State Department of the Legion, last night announced he had sent personal communications to the department commanders of all of the New England States to enlist their aid in keeping the Boston yard open. The closing of the yard he termed as unwarranted and an unfair blow to the men employed there.

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Informed by the Daily Record last night of the "cut" for his fund, Mayor Curley said, chuckling:

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MAYOR CHUCKLES

Assured that Aimee's manager, Frederick Winters, has set aside that amount from the net to be turned over to the fund, the mayor said, still chuckling:



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"I would judge from that, that Aimee has performed no miracle."

And then he added, **"Texas Guinan could have done better than that."**

"Now let's see," he continued, "there's about $900 coming from that collection," he mused.

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REVIVAL IN R. I.

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TO USE HUB CHOIR

Arrangements were hastily made for a revival campaign at Providence, from whence she has received an insistent call. She will open at the auditorium in that city Friday evening.

She will remain in New York, honeymooning with her new husband, Brother David, until Thursday when she will go to Providence.

Arrangements were being made last night for the Boston choir which appeared at the Garden revivals, to act in a similar capacity in Providence. It was pointed out that no time would be available to organize and train a Providence choir. The Boston singers will be transported to and from the Rhode Island city by bus.

Financial Miracle Beyond Aimee's Efforts



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WEST ROXBURY PAVING CONTRACT IS AWARDED

Award yesterday by Mayor Curley of a contract to M. McGinnis Company to lay sheet asphalt pavement in Centre street, West Roxbury, between Weld and Church streets advances another step toward completion the widening of Centre street from South street to the Arborway.

The contract price for the initial portion of the paving is $106,348 and the work will be completed before the advent of cold weather.

WEST END LAND SALE APPROVED BY COUNCIL

Withdrawal by Councilman John I. Fitzgerald of the West end, of the objections of the residents of that district, including Matrin M. Lomansney, to the sale to the Massachusetts General Hospital of city owned land on North Grove street led to final approval of the sale, yesterday by the city council.

Specific assurance given by Mayor Curley that the yard of the sanitary service which has been at North Grove strete for years, will be re-established either in the North or West end, and that under no circumstances will the collection of garbage and refuse be done by contractors, satisfied the objectors.

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Half of This Goes to Unemployed Of City, Plus $908 Obtained In Special Collection

How much did Aimee make?

Surpassing almost the interest in Mrs Aimee McPherson Hutton's nine-day revival here is this question of the collections—and the amount to be received by the city of Boston in Mayor Curley's proposition of a 50-50 cut for the unemployed.

Here are the figures, as released by Richard G. Dunn, manager of the Boston Garden, where Sister Aimee held her evangelistic meetings. By exactly $941.31 will the Boston unemployment fund be increased. The entire profit after payment of the general expense amounted to $64.82, half of which is donated to the city—leaving Aimee with only a profit of $32.41 from the collections, according to Mr Dunn's figures.

Donations, collections and sales of literature brought a total of $23,506.30. The cost of expenses, including the rental of the Garden, transportation, hotel bills, advertising, communications, tickets, personnel, special equipment and incidentals came to $23,441.48.

Comment of Mayor

The unemployment fund was boosted by the special collection taken up at Aimee's final meeting here Sunday night—a total of $908.90. Quick arithmetic makes $908.90 and half of Aimee's profit, $32.41, a total of $941.31.

Mayor Curley, when told by reporters of the amount which the city fund will receive, admitted that he was not overjoyed.

"I think," the Mayor said, "I will wait until the city gets some of the money before I make any comment. We haven't seen any of it yet. You know, I was in hopes that they'd remember the old parable of the loaves and the fishes, but it looks like we were going to get only the crumbs."

Personal Donations

As Sister Aimee left for the South Station en route to New York Sunday night she declared that she did not come here to make money, but to save souls and to further establish Foursquare Gospel churches throughout the eastern part of the country.

Aside from the profit $32.41 from the donation and literature sales, Sister Aimee received many donations personally. Many gave her what she called "the old New England green handshake" as they came forward at the services to greet her. Many of these handshakes found a $5 or $10 bill left in the evangelist's hand.

Then there was the "love offering," figures of which have not been announced. Many presents came to the Hotel Lenox, where the Huttons stayed. One man, who did not identify himself to Sister Aimee, presented a small but expensive diamond bracelet. The choir gave Aimee $25 as they bade her farewell at the station.

END WAR OF CURLEY AND LOMASNEY

Both Sides Approve Sale of City Stables to Hospital

Simulating the dove of peace, a slate-colored pigeon winged through an open window and coasted over the City Council session, yesterday, when the forces of Mayor Curley and former Representative Martin M. Lomasney, after a month's bitter battle, joined in support of the order to sell the North Grove street city stables to the Massachusetts General Hospital.

TO APPROVE ORDER TODAY

After the pigeon had been shooed out the window through which he had entered, Councillor John I. Fitzgerald, lieutenant of the West End's veteran political leader, who had led the fight against the sale, voted in favor of the project, explaining that he had the Mayor's assurance that the city yard would be replaced somewhere within the precincts of the Lomasney stronghold.

Mayor Curley will approve the order today, turning over to the Massachusetts General Hospital for $148,800 the abandoned North Grove street fire station and the city stables on two parcels of land with a total area of 24,800 square feet, making the price $6 a foot.

Instead of transferring the working force of several hundred West End laborers to the South End yards, the Mayor had indicated that the new motorized sanitary force will be quartered in a building to be secured somewhere within Ward 3, probably on the Commercial street waterfront.

The final vote was 19 to 2 in favor of the sale.

Councillor Fitzgerald immediately secured the passage of an order requesting the Mayor to confer with Sheriff John A. Keliher for the purpose of providing adequate play space for the inmates of the Charles street jail, part of which has been taken for the widening of Charles street and the construction of a traffic circle at the Boston end of the Longfellow bridge.

Virtual liability insurance on city-owned automobiles was provided by the Council in adopting an act of this year's Legislature which would permit the city to reimburse its motor vehicle operators for damages sustained by them in accidents in which they were involved while in the line of duty.

The Council approved the reimbursement of Patrolman Arthur V. Fraher in the sum of $547.50, representing a judgment against him, following the death of Aaron Arensberg of Dorchester, who was knocked down by the patrolman's motorcycle at Columbia, road, April 24, 1927.

To hear the protest of Dorchester civic groups the executive committee of the Council, at the request of Councillor Francis E. Kelly, will hold a public hearing on the new Dorchester Girls' High School location Tuesday, Oct. 27 at 2:30 o'clock at City Hall.

MAYOR TO SPEAK FOR SALLIES' DRIVE

Mayor Curley and others prominent in State and city governments are to speak at the luncheon today noon at the Hotel Statler, which formally opens the Salvation Army's annual drive for $150,000 to operate its 24 institutions and departments in Greater Boston.

GLOBE 10/20/31

MEETING PROTESTS NAVY YARD CLOSING

Harriman Demands Reasons For Move —Ely, Curley and Walsh Speak

"Boston asks for a full bill of particulars as to the need for closing the Boston Navy Yard," Henry I. Harriman, president of the Chamber of Commerce, declared this noon before a protest meeting against the proposal to close the yard.

Mr Harriman presided at the meeting, which was attended by leaders in public life in Greater Boston and representatives of the navy, as well as nearly the entire Congressional delegation from this part of the State.

"The existence of the Navy Yard means $10,000,000 of business to Boston annually," Mr Harriman said. "Of the 1600 employed, 600 are war veterans and 200 are disabled veterans who would be thrown back upon the Soldiers' Relief Department of Greater Boston.

Harriman's Address

Mr Harriman's address follows:

"The closing of the Boston Navy Yard would be a most serious blow to New England, and while I am in sympathy with the President's desire to effect reasonable economies in these times of financial stress it is my feeling that New England has every right to ask the Administration for the fullest and frankest statements of the reasons which have led it to recommend to Congress the closing of the Navy Yard and for a statement of the economies which will be effected, and even if certain economies are shown we have the right to ask whether the Federal economies are a fair offset to the many losses which will result from closing the Navy Yard.

"The Navy Yard was established in 1800 after studies and surveys by naval experts to determine a logical location for this important branch of the naval establishment. Naval strategists have stated that Boston is likely to be one of the principal points chosen for enemy assault in case of war and the sense of security of millions of our citizens depends largely upon an efficient naval base at Boston. Part of such a naval base is an efficient navy yard. The people of New England will look with the greatest apprehension upon any plan which contemplates the abandonment of this yard.

"As the Boston Navy Yard is one of the oldest, so it is one of the best equipped and most efficient units in the naval establishment both for construction, repair and reconditioning of navy vessels. The yard embraces several highly organized industrial plants with millions of dollars' worth of machinery and equipment which have been built up over a period of years. Its working force is recognized as one of the best trained and most competent in the country. The construction and repair work which have been accomplished here in the past have brought the highest praise from naval experts.

Blow to 1600 Workers

"The closing of the Boston Navy Yard will take employment from about 1600 civilian workers at one of the most critical economic periods in our history. The annual payroll of the Navy Yard is in excess of $3,000,000, and the existence of the yard represents to the community business of some $10,000,000 annually. Further, of those employed at the yard, 600 are war veterans, and of these 200 are classified as disabled veterans, who would be thrown back upon the Soldiers' Relief Departments in the cities and towns of Greater Boston. Furthermore, a large percentage of the Navy Yard employes, probably more than 50 percent, are over 50 years of age. It would be exceedingly difficult to find other employment for these workers and, as a majority of them are heads of families, their loss of work would mean tragedy.

"The Government has recently authorized the construction of a destroyer at the Boston Navy Yard. If the yard is closed, the construction of this destroyer will be assigned to some other navy yard and thus Boston will be made to suffer in order that some other section of the country may gain.

"Outside of its advantage to the navy, the Boston Navy Yard has performed indispensable service in connection with commercial shipping, transatlantic travel and the great New England fishing industry. Located the nearest of any of the important Government stations to the established ocean traffic lanes, the yard has responded to innumerable calls of distress in the North Atlantic by sending vessels which have rendered incalculable services in the saving of life, shipping and cargoes. Government aid of this kind is imperative during the rigorous Winters which prevail in the North Atlantic. A great port is inseparably linked with efficient naval services. Boston is the only important American port which is threatened with the curtailment of these services, and to close the Boston Navy Yard may likely result in the loss of much life and property, which might otherwise be preserved. Boston asks for a full bill of particulars as to the need for and the results which will follow from the closing of the Boston Navy Yard."

Walsh and Coolidge Speak

Both Senators David I. Walsh and Marcus Coolidge attended and spoke.

Representative Edith Nourse Rogers and Ex-Mayor Malcolm Nichols were other speakers.

Mayor Curley and Pres Gaspar Bacon of the Massachusetts Senate arrived in time for the speaking program. Among the other Mayors present were Mayor McGrath of Quincy, Mayor Manning of Lynn, Mayor Larkin of Medford and Mayor Casassa of Revere.

The meeting closed with the adoption of a resolution authorizing Pres Harriman of the Chamber to appoint a representative committee to confer with Secretary of the Navy Adams and to urge the Administration to reconsider the proposal to close the Navy Yard.

Gov Ely was among the last speakers.

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CURLEY CALLS 'LIGHTS OUT!'

By public proclamation, Mayor Curley today called on Boston's citizenry to follow the suggestion of William Randolph Hearst, Jr., and turn off electric lights for one minute tomorrow night at 7 p. m. in tribute to Thomas A. Edison.

"The mayor requests that the public, in recognition of the passing of this great American, follow the suggestion of William Randolph Hearst, Jr., and dim all lights in homes or places of business for one minute at 7 o'clock on the evening of Wednesday, Oct. 21," the proclamation said.

Mayor Curley also asked that city flags be placed at half-staff tomorrow for the funeral, in orders to John Englert, superintendent of public buildings, and City Messenger Leary.

"You are hereby directed to have the flags placed at half-staff on all municipal buildings on the day of the funeral of Thomas A. Edison," the orders read.

"Once a resident of Boston, his labors have proven of enduring benefit to humanity and to the whole universe."

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SALE OF YARD WINS IN COUNCIL SESSION

Fitzgerald Alters Vote— Police Radio Inquiry

Assured that the city stables on North Grove st would be replaced by a sanitary division yard somewhere in the North or West Ends and that contract labor will not be used to take care of the district, Councilor John I. Fitzgerald of the West End, who led the battle against the sale of the North Grove-st yard to the Massachusetts General Hospital, changed tactics yesterday at the Council meeting and voted for the sale.

The order of sale was up for its second reading and Councilor Fitzgerald told the Council that he still believed the hospital did not need the land and that the price was not adequate, but that he was acting for the best interests of his district and that he had obtained the best trade he could get.

Mr Fitzgerald said that he only had three votes against the order (his own and those of Councilors Dowd and Kelly), and could not expect to get any more.

"I have got to accept what I can get for my district," said the West End Councilor.

His supporters, Councilors Dowd and Kelly, declared they stood by their original vote against the sale of the land, and when the vote was recorded they were the only ones against passage of the order. They declared if Councilor Fitzgerald's facts and figures were correct two weeks ago they were still correct, and they would vote as they did then.

Councilor Green of Charlestown, who did not vote at the previous reading, voted for the sale yesterday.

22,800 Feet of Land

The order as passed calls for transfer to the hospital of 22,800 feet of land with a frontage of about 162 feet on North Grove st and 2000 square feet of land with an abandoned firehouse thereon, with a frontage of 40 feet on North Grove st, all at a rate of $6 per foot.

Following the passage of the order Councilor Fitzgerald offered an order, which passed, asking Mayor Curley to confer with Sheriff John A. Keliher with a view of retaining some of the land for an exercise yard for jail inmates before the sale is completed to the hospital.

In view of the fact that the land sale order calls for specifically described land as well as number of square feet, any withholding of land for a jail exercise yard would invalidate the original order for the sale of 24,800 square feet. It would appear there would be no extension of the jail yard.

After considerable objection was raised in executive committee by Councilor Curtis and other members of Council against an order from Police Commissioner Hultman for permission to transfer $8000 from police funds to a specific fund for an investigation of the merits of short wave radio, Councilor Curtis of the Back Bay was the only one to vote against the measure.

Wants Tech Experts

Commissioner Hultman desires to employ Technology experts to make an investigation lasting six months and costing $8000 to determine if short wave is a good thing for the Boston Police Department. Councilor Curtis announced that he favored anything that would be helpful in opposing crime; that if short wave radio would be helpful, he was for it, but he wanted to be assured by Commissioner Hultman that the information could not be obtained for less than $8000 and in a shorter time than six months.

Councilor Ruby, who fathered the measure in the executive committee tilt and in open meeting, expressed the opinion that the information should be secured by Jan 1.

After considerable debate the order asking for authorization of an order for $920,000 for the erection of a new girls' high school in Dorchester was tabled. Councilor McGrath said he would vote for the order but that it was a fact that if the high school was erected on the particular site, there would be five high schools on the Washington-st car line.

Councilor McGrath previously had offered an order which passed, asking Mayor Curley to consider the advisability of the erection of a high school in the Uphams Corner section of Dorchester.

On the $920,000 order Councilor Fish also commented on five high schools on the Washington-st line, and Councilor Wilson, also of Dorchester, said he was not satisfied with the School Committee decision concerning the site for the school, and expressed the opinion that the people of the district should have something to say.

For Public Hearing

Councilor Murray declared that in view of the large amount of money involved the order should go to the committee on finance and a public hearing be held. On motion of Councilor Kelly the order was tabled.

Reimbursing of police officers or city employes when, as a result of accident in the course of city business, court judgments are rendered against them, came before the meeting on two orders. Except in the case of the Water Department, drivers of city cars are individually liable in case of accidents.

Councilor Wilson offered an order asking Council to accept a legislative act calling for the reimbursing of city employes when the latter suffer damage suits as a result of accidents while on duty.

The other order was by Councilor Bush, to repay patrolman Arthur V. Fraher $547.50, the sum with costs awarded the estate of Aaron Arensberg, struck by a motorcycle operated by Fraher on April 24, 1927.

Councilor Fitzgerald raised the principal opposition, declaring that officers do as they please, and when the city reimburses the taxpayers carry the load. He said he had no objection to payment when the accident was clearly in line of actual duty and when speed was absolutely necessary, but in the Fraher case he said he had no information verifying the fact.

Both orders passed after some discussion.

Navy Yard Issue

Threatened closing of the Charlestown Navy Yard resulted in two orders, one by Councilor Wilson and the other by Councilor Green. The orders protested to President Hoover to stop any plans for closing the yard. Councilor Wilson of Dorchester explained his order in that almost 300 employes of the Charlestown yard live in Dorchester.

Councilor Kelly got smooth sailing on an order. He requested Mayor Curley to call a conference of theatre and movie house owners and ask them to agree to contribute one cent from every ticket sold to their shows, the money to go to the unemployment fund of the Board of Public Welfare.

Because of the longshoremen's strike police officers, after doing a stretch on the street, are compelled to remain in station houses to be available in case of emergency, and Councilor Ruby introduced an order, which passed, calling on Commissioner Hultman to see to it that the officers are paid overtime.

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BUST OF WASHINGTON GIVEN MAYOR CURLEY

Plans Begun by Boston for Bicentennial

The official opening of the campaign by the city of Boston to participate in the bicentennial observance in 1932 of the birth of the Father of the American Republic was featured yesterday at City Hall by a presentation to Mayor Curley of a bust of George Washington. The exercises were broadcast at 2 p m by radio Station WNAC.

Members of the Federal, State and city commissions were present, including Prof Albert Bushnell Hart, national historian and chairman of the city commission; Maj Robert E. Green and Alexander Brinn, members of the executive committee of the Massachusetts commission and Mayor Curley. Professor Hart made the presentation.

Mr Brinn of the executive committee said:

"At this time, when the name of Washington is once more aglow in the memory of grateful Americans, it may awaken in us the rare and noble spirit of the Father of our Country, who showed such steadfast devotion against unexample odds, and made possible our national life.

"Washington's courageous confidence in the American Republic is a challenge to us of today whether the resolute American pioneer spirit is still superior to all our economic and other difficulties.

"Washington's unconq ble belief in the futuer destiny of th enew Nation made it ossible for him to overcome the almost unparalleled difficulties he encountered. His pioneering spirit furnished a sound foundation for the unified political, economic and social national struc re."

Prof Hart told the May r in his presentation that Boston had a particular and personal interest in George Washington. He lived for a time in this vicinity, was entertained here and took command of the troops in Cambridge Because of Boston's local interest, he said, the celebration here should be the greater.

Mayor Curley responded, and accepted the bust on behalf of the city.

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CLOSING OF YARD PLAN PROTESTED

Eighty Officials Meet Here to Voice Opposition

Senators, Governor and Mayor at Chamber Rally

Resistance to the closing of the Boston Navy Yard was planned yesterday by 80 men in public life in Massachusetts of both parties, and Mrs Edith Nourse Rogers, member of Congress from Lowell, at a meeting called by Henry I. Harriman, president of the Boston Chamber of Commerce.

Gov Ely, Mayor Curley and Senators Walsh and Coolidge spoke at the meeting, which ended by moving the appointment of a committee which Senator Walsh will head, to see President Hoover and Secretary of the Navy Charles Francis Adams and urge reconsideration of the proposal to close the yard at Charlestown.

Senator Walsh closed his address by stating, "I feel confident that this catastrophe will not happen."

Gov Ely declared that he will send a message to the Legislature suggesting that it memorialize Congress to keep the Navy Yard open.

Mayor Curley declared that by this move President Hoover was setting an example which, if followed by private business, would mean that such a city as Boston would be compelled to spend $21,000,000 on unemployment this year, instead of $7,000,000.

The meeting showed a strong tendency to criticize President Hoover for the announced decision to close the Navy Yard.

Blames Department

Mrs Rogers had another explanation. Not the President, but the Navy Department was to blame, she declared.

"Let's put the blame where it belongs," she said. "It belongs to the Navy Department. You know as well as I do that the President had nothing to do with it. The President insisted that every department economize. There is plenty of room for economy in every department. But the Navy Department is the cleverest department in Washington. It is up to its old tricks.

"Every time that the Navy Department hears its appropriation is going to be cut it starts talk of closing some Navy Yard. The Navy knows that New England will fight for its Navy Yard and restore it to the budget. But by cutting out the Navy Yard, the Navy protects its own pet projects from being cut."

Congressman John J. Douglass, following Mrs Rogers, disagreed with her and insisted on laying the blame "at the President's door."

Congressman Charles L. Underhill and Congressman Joseph W. Martin Jr, both Republicans, as Mrs Rogers is, endorsed her explanation.

Congressman Underhill demanded that the meeting turn from denouncing the President and give its attention to a plan to do something about the issue.

The meeting was conducted for the most part with much restraint. Pres Harriman began by delivering, in a prepared statement, a summary of what it would mean to close the oldest Navy Yard in the country, with 1600 employes.

Gov Ely then spoke briefly, asserting his determination to use the full resources of the Commonwealth to keep the Navy Yard. The fight would fall upon the Senators and Congressmen, he said.

Curley and Walsh

Mayor Curley called it "a very peculiar situation, at the approach of a New England Winter" to economize by throwing 1600 workers out of employment. "I have noticed no diminution in the demand for aid' he said. "It is time for the President to postpone economy that increases the burden of unemployment."

The Mayor recalled that the city of Boston is now building a tunnel to East Boston at a cost $3,000,000 more than a bridge would have been. When the city wanted to build a bridge, it was told, he said, that that would interfere with ships sailing to the Navy Yard.

Senator Walsh said that he spoke for the entire delegation in Congress when he declared "we propose to leave nothing undone to save to New England the Boston Navy Yard." He could count on the other New England members of Congress and the Senate, too, he said, to stand with Massachusetts on the question.

"It is the worst blow that the Port of Boston has ever been given" he said. "It is an attack upon the Navy itself. It is a failure to realize what the Navy means to our Government. I, for one, do not propose to have the police force on our borders lessened until the police force is reduced within the country where peaceful people live.

"In time of depression, to begin by reducing the police force of the Nation is unthinkable. There are plenty of ways to reduce without beginning with an indispensable arm of our Government. It is time for us to say as citizens of a great Commonwealth to the Federal Government—'hands off—begin somewhere else.' This is a particularly unappropriate move when our Navy is below treaty strength."

Senator Marcus Coolidge declared "I will be as keen as anyone can be as regards losing the Navy Yard."

Congressmen's Views

Congressman Martin urged that the rest of New England also had an interest in the threatened closing of the Newport, R I, yard and it was agreed that both should be included in the case that the Massachusetts group will make against closing.

Congressman Connery of Lynn brought in the possibility of trouble with Japan in arguing against any reduction at all in the Navy.

Congressman Underhill of Somerville thought of some other government agencies that could be dispensed with instead of the Navy Yard. He suggested abolishing the reclamation bureau "which spends millions to raise more crops," the Alaska Railway "which has a $3,000,000 annual deficit," the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, the Federal Farm Board "which is trying to lift the country by its bootstraps and spending millions on it," the Bureau of Home Economics "nosing into your family and mine with their suggestions," or the Children's Bureau, "a lot of spinsters telling your wife and my wife how to raise their children."

Representative Richard B. Wigglesworth, who is on the House Appropriations Committee, sent word that he would do all he could to hold the Navy Yard in the budget.

Ex-Mayor Malcolm E. Nichols declared that "money is no object when it comes to the protection of this country." He opposed closing the yard "for some fancied notion of economy," when we should be taking a page from other Nations, which are developing their Naval posts to serve also as centers of aviation defense."

Among other political leaders at the meeting were Congressman Dallinger of Cambridge, Pres Gaspar G. Bacon of the State Senate and Mayor Larkin of Medford, Mayor McGrath of Quincy, Mayor Manning of Lynn and Mayor Cassassa of Revere.

A resolution adopted authorized the president of the Chamber to appoint a committee to confer with President Hoover and Secretary Adams, in an effort to block the move to close the Yard.

The Salvation Army drive to raise $150,000 for the maintenance of its 24 charitable institutions this year was launched yesterday by a group of 300 leading men and women who attended the luncheon to the campaign chairman at the Hotel Statler.

Messages of co-operation were sent by Governor Ely and Mayor Curley, who with State, city and other officials, will lend their support to the campaign, which is being conducted under the direction of Chairman Philip R. Allen of the general committee.

That the women would do their part in aiding the organization to the limit was the promise of Mrs. George R. Fearing, chairman of the women's committee.

Representing Governor Ely, State Treasurer Charles F. Hurley promised that the Commonwealth employees would contribute double the amount they have usually turned in to the Salvation Army in past years.

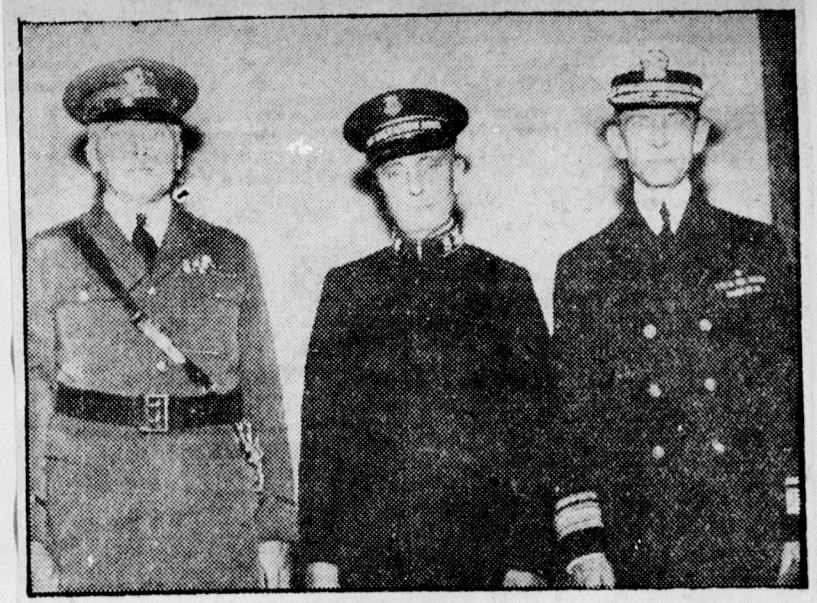
Director Thomas A. Mullen of the city's commercial, industrial and publicity bureau, speaking for the Mayor, made an appeal for the support of the Salvation Army.

Others present at the head table included Colonel Joseph Atkinson, commander-in-chief of the New England forces of the Salvation Army; former Lieutenant-Governor Edward P. Barry, President Sidney S. Conrad of the Retail Trade Board, Brigadier T. W. Hargraves, general secretary of the Army; Pliny Jewell, Rear Admiral Louis M. Nulton, U. S. N., Major-General Fox Conner, U. S. A., former Attorney-General J. Weston Allen, Mrs. Philip R. Allen, City Collector William M. McMorrow, Mrs. B. F. Merriam, J. Arthur Moriarty and John F. O'Connell.

Mayor Curley's fund for the unemployed is guaranteed $5000 by Ray Fabiani, promoter of the wrestling show . . . That's a lot of money for a promoter to guarantee in these times, but Fabiani says he will be sure the unemployed get theirs even if he goes broke . . .

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LAUNCH SALVATION ARMY DRIVE



Left to right—Maj.-Gen. Fox Connor, commanding first corps area; Col. Joseph Atkinson, commander-in-chief of New England forces of Salvation Army, and Rear Admiral L. M. Nulton.

Salvation Army Maintenance Fund Of $150,000 Sought in Campaign

Before more than 300 state, city, and business leaders of Greater Boston, the annual general maintenance appeal of the Salvation Army for $150,000 was formally launched in the Georgian room of the Hotel Statler yesterday afternoon.

The drive is scheduled to close Nov. 7. The campaign for funds is for maintenance of the army's 24 institutions and departments in Greater Boston. Chairman Philip R. Allen of the advisory board told the guests the army's aim this year is to secure much larger donations from the well-to-do. He declared many contributors of small sums in past years are now among the unemployed and in dire need of assistance. The proceedings were broadcast through the courtesy of WBZA.

One of the highlights of the luncheon was the unexpected visit of Robert L. Ripley, famous cartoonist, who, escorted by Carroll Swan, president of the Boston Advertising Club, stepped up to the microphone and said: "There is no greater or more worthy cause than the Salvation Army. You can believe it or not."

Mayor Curley, unable at the last moment to be present, sent word by his special representative, Thomas A. Mullen, director of the commercial, industrial and publicity bureau of the city, that he would do everything in his power to aid the Salvation Army in its campaign. Mr. Mullen quoted the mayor as saying: "I've pared here and I've pared there because I want to help the cause of the unfortunate. I am going to do everything I can during the coming winter to aid the man, woman or child who is cold and hungry."

Included at the head table were Col. Joseph Atkinson, commander-in-chief of the New England forces of the army; Sidney S. Conrad, vice-chairman of the army's advisory board; former Lt.-Gov. Edward P. Barry, Mrs. George R. Fearing, chairman of the women's committee; Brig. T. W. Hargreaves, general secretary; W. A. Nicol, campaign secretary; State Treasurer Charles F. Hurley, City Collector William M. McMorrow, Pliny Jewell, Mrs. B. F. Merriam, Mrs. Carl L. Schrader, J. Arthur Moriarty, Rear Admiral L. M. Nulton, John F. O'Connell, Maj.-Gen. Fox Connor of the First Corps area, J. Weston Allen and Mrs. Philip R. Allen.

MAYOR ASKS TRIBUTE

Wants Lights Out All Over Boston At 7 This Evening

Mayor Curley yesterday asked Boston to recognize the death of Thomas A. Edison by the putting out all lights in homes and places of business for one minute at 7 o'clock this evening.

By direction of the mayor, who authorized the superintendent of public buildings to issue the necessary orders, flags will be flown at half staff on all municipal buildings and flag poles as a tribute to "Thomas A. Edison, formerly a resident of Boston and whose labors during his lifetime have proven of enduring benefit to humanity the world over."

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Washington Bust for Mayor Curley

The official opening of the city of Boston's participation in the bicentennial celebration in 1932 of the birth of George Washington was observed in City Hall this afternoon when Mayor Curley was presented a bust of Washington in exercises under the auspices of the Massachusetts George Washington Bicentennial Commission. The presentation was in the presence of several Federal, State and city dignitaries and the exercises were broadcast by radio over Station WNAC.

The program was opened by Thomas A. Mullen, chairman of the city committee co-operating with the bicentennial commission, who introduced Major Robert E. Green, executive chairman of the State commission, who presided and introduced Alexander Brin, member of the State commission. Mr. Brin declared that the life of Washington "is a gigantic spiritual power station from which we can draw information, instruction and inspiration that will kindle in the souls of this and subsequent generations the fire of zeal, devotion, foresight and service to our city, State and nation, of which Washington was a living and acting exempler."

Washington, Mr. Brin declared, "planted the seeds of tolerance, righteousness and reverence. He reaped in return loyalty, honor, respect and love. It is the spirit of Washington that we need in this day of storm and stress, when mighty nations totter and empires seem to crumble."

After the Brin address, Professor Albert Bushnell Hart of Harvard, member of both the Federal and State commissions, made the formal presentation of the Washington bust to Mayor Curley. The latter outlined the scope of the coming observance, its meaning to the State and city and promised the co-operation of the city in making the celebration a success.

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WASHINGTON BUST GIVEN TO CURLEY

Responding to the presentation of a bust of George Washington by Prof. Albert Bushnell Hart, member of the city and state George Washington Bicentennial commissions, Mayor Curley today lauded the program of the committee and pointed out the worth of the planned celebration to both city and state.

The exercises took place in the mayor's office, were broadcast over a local station, anud marked the opening of the combined city and state campaign to celebreate the 200th birthday anniversary of the first President. Among the dignitaries taking part were Thomas A. Mullen, of the city committee; Maj. Robert E. Green and Alexaander Brin of the state committee.

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of conservatives that our present so-called capitalistic system is all right and has survived generations of depressions and will shortly right itself; and second, from this mental attitude there grows within the minds of another class of our people a belief that the dole is the only way out; that we must have our unemployment for a session and therefore these people must be provided for. The dole systems have never contemplated giving men work, with the opportunity to produce increased values for the human race, but have operated principally upon the basis of taking away from those who have and giving to those who have not. One must realize that this can only survive for a period of time; that it is bound to bring one portion of the population into pauperism and indolence, and that it must become intolerable to all people.

Increasing Thought

"Consequently, today there is an increasing amount of thought being given to a modification of the dole system whereby those who receive such money give in return some work which will be of value to the community. If this plan is carried out to its conclusion it would amount in time to much the same thing as we see in Russia. Certainly if a large portion of the population is out of work, eventually becoming wards of the Government and as such are set to work, then necessarily we would eventually have the Government in business.

"But we already have the dole in various forms, and if it is to be continued under any form it would seem that it should be the duty of the Government to see that some value is received for the money paid out.

"If instead of the dole we could provide legitimate work for all by spreading the available work among the whole population, then we would recognize the right of all men to work for a living, rather than to assume that they have the right to be given a living.

"Relief for unemployment has got to come this Winter and it is apparent that it may come in legislative form from our various Governmental agencies. It is probably too late to avoid it and if so it ought to be initiated locally where possible in order to obviate the "pork barrel" tactics which go with all such national programs; and it ought also be coupled with other legislation which will make any dole later give way to plans for permanent relief. These later plans as previously described would be enabling legislation, organizing trade groups and giving them quasi-governmental authority for the purpose of balancing production and consumption and labor hours involved; and also for the purpose of setting up a reserve for any possible unemployment compensation. But better than a dole, it would seem that some way ought to be found to shorten the work week immediately and set everyone to work by some short cut method which later would be followed with a permanent. scientific and orderly plan as mentioned."

Cushman Speaks

Roy M. Cushman, executive secretary of the Boston Council of Social Agencies, also speaking on the relief of unemployment, said that as far as Massachusetts is concerned, there seems as yet to be no evidence that her cities and towns generally are not going to be able to provide relief for their unemployed, on a basis of adequacy as determined by present standards. He said that 95 percent of the Boston relief expenditures in excess of $600,000 monthly is paid out by two departments, the Public Welfare and the Soldiers' Relief. The factor of great uncertainty in the relief picture, he said, is that of Federal aid.

Art Group's Session

Organizing to achieve consumer acceptance, was the theme of H. E. Nock, vice president and general superintendent of the Towle Manufacturing Company, Newburyport, in his address to the industrial art group at the Copley-Plaza Hotel, at a session under joint auspices of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, the Industrial Art Institute and the committee on industrial and civic art of the Boston Chamber of Commerce.

John E. Alcott, State supervisor of vocational art education in industry and business, and industrial art adviser of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, presided. In general, production and design coordination were discussed as a major management problem.

In addition to Mr Nock, Ben Nash, product development and merchandising counselor of New York city, spoke on "Products and Packages of Today."

There was a discussion from the floor led by William Freeland of Boston and J. H. Fairclough Jr of the Jordan Marsh Company.

Taxation Section

The taxation section conference meeting at the Copley-Plaza heard two taxation authorities discuss the Federal and State phases of taxation.

F. R. Carnegie Steele of Boston, certified public accountant, was chairman of the meeting and the speakers were Thomas S. Adams of New Haven, Conn, ex-president of the National Tax Association, and Alexander Whiteside, vice president of the Massachusetts Tax Association.

Mr Whiteside said these are bad times for business, but good times for governmental economy. He said that never in his experience has he seen such a widespread interest in taxation nor such an earnest desire to restrict the cost of Government. Mr Whiteside said that in times like these th eburden of taxation becomes a load too great to stagger under. To illustrate some of the problems that the people are facing as regards taxation, the speaker said that his contact with municipalities has impressed him that most of them felt that free spending is good politics and economy the death knell of the individual politician who would attempt to practice it. In part he said:

"Some Mayors--Mayor Curley of Boston is a conspicuous example--have no real desire to economize, but, on the contrary, think free spending is good politics. Mayor Curley, for instance, in the bad times in the Fall of 1930 and the early part of 1931, deliberately filed with the Legislature bills asking that the city of Boston be allowed to borrow an aggregate amount exceeding $30,000,000 outside the debt limit, for a number of unusual and large public projects--an arterial highway estimated at $11,000,000, new school construction estimated at $14,000,000, dredging out the old South Bay (a project the need of which is in the far distant future), estimated at $3,000,000, the East Boston Strandway estimated at $1,000,000, and so on. However desirable these projects might be in ordinary times, and there were good arguments to be advanced for some of them--in the middle of the worst depression the country has known for over 50 years it was the height of folly to advocate them.

"Instead of economizing, Mayor Curley wanted to spend. Naturally the Legislature reported adversely on some of them and cut down others, but owing to Mayor Curley's insistence and the activity of his lobby he got from the Legislature a good deal more than was wise under existing conditions. In other directions he has made a great display of virtue in reducing slightly the city budget for 1931, but he has made no real attempt at radical economy.

"Other Mayors are conscientious and sincerely desirous of reducing city expenses and keeping the tax rate down."

Dr Adams discussed the question of whether Federal taxation should be increased.

Business Outlook

In his discussion of the business outlook for 1932 at the luncheon session of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts at the Copley-Plaza, Samuel P. Allison of Babson's statistical organization appraised the persent status of business, considered the forces making fo rrecovery, and asked, "when will the turn come?" The speaker said that it would be foolish to attempt to name the day or hour, but he gave general views to the effect that business will drift along about as at present through the Fall and Winter until next Spring, when, in the speaker's opinion, there should be a sharp upturn.

Mr Allison said that the fundamental mistake made in 1929, the failure to take into account all the facts, is being repeated. The result of this, he said, is a misleading appraisal of the existing situation. Today a change is again impending, he said, but the crowd, and a large percentage of tht leaders, fail to see the signals and will probably be caught napping again.

The wage situation, the speaker said, was the one factor of outstanding importance in the labor outlook. Business recovery, he said, depends to a great extent on continued readjustment of wage rates.

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DOAK PLEADS FOR CONFIDENCE IN U. S.

Hoover Doing "All Possible," Secretary Tells Industrialists

That the President of the United States and his associates are doing all that is possible to relieve the distress among the people, to stabilize industry and to adjust the finances in an orderly way, was the message that a member of the Hoover Cabinet, Hon William N. Doak, Secretary of Labor, brought to the large company of leading industrialists of the State, assembled in the ballroom of the Hotel Westminster this forenoon, at a general conference of industrial relations held in connection with the 16th annual meeting of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts.

The meeting was perhaps the most important of six group sessions and a luncheon conference held today by the Associated Industries at the Westminster and the Copley-Plaza in conjunction with the fifth annual quality products and public service exposition which opened last Monday at the Copley-Plaza, and will close tonight at 10. The conferences will continue through tomorrow, concluding in the evening with a banquet at the Copley-Plaza at 6:30, at which John L. Davis of New York and John E. Edgerton of New York, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, will speak.

Secretary Doak, expressing his views as to the stability of American institutions and his belief in American fundamentals, spoke for the most part on American fundamentalism, declaring that this is no time to try theories, but rather a time to be true to those fundamentals which experience has shown to be sound. He said that the time-tried plans for relief were more effective than plans which have nothing in view but the immediate use of Government funds. What knowledge and experience taught us through the war period we should use to fortify ourselves against the mistakes which certainly will be made if we do not sanely and conservatively handle relief and other problems which may confront us, he said.

Basis of Business

American business of all kinds, said the speaker, is based on individual honesty, individual initiative and individual effectiveness; the square business men of America, he added, know what these fundamentals are and upon them they should base their effort to bring back norman conditions. Secretary Doak expressed the view that he never did believe that it was intended that a central government should be used as a charitable institution. He said that if during periods of prosperity the strong hand of the Government should be withheld from interference with the financial and business world, it seemed surely to follow that when financial and business conditions are depressed the hand of the Government likewie should be restrained from interference. Making this point more clear, he said, if governments should be restrained from collecting large sums from industry when industry is best able to contribute,why should governments be expected to assume burdens to meet reverses of industry, in periods of depression?

No government, the speaker said, in his opinion, was ever intended for paternalistic service beyond seeing that reasonable laws are enacted and enforced and to insure to the individual life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. He voiced the firm belief that neither collective nor individual subsidy was the plan of the fathers, and added, it should not be he plan of the children.

Despite the economic and social problems facing us, our country is in better state than any other country in the wide world, in the opinion of Secretary Doak. He added that perhaps we were not as well prepared to meet the emergency of depression as we should have been, and as a result of this lack of preparedness our recovery has been all the harder and slower.

"Hold Fast to Faith"

Neglect of those who contribute their labor and skill to the advancement of business vitiates the whole business atmosphere, said the speaker. It is hopeless, in the opinion of Mr Doak, for complete relief to come until business stops trying to get ahead by selling below production costs. He expressed his belief in the future of American industry and the ability of our industrial leaders to do the right thing in the right way. His advice was to hold fast to the faith, to stand by the standards of the fathers and not give way to lack of confidence in our institutions, in our inventive genius or in our American ability conment.

Telling his hearers that the present emergency calls for fortitude and for every effort to recover what has slipped from our grasp, temporarily, Secretary Doak pointed out that the Ship of State has weathered other storms harder than the one that is now beating upon it.

The speaker warned against "cut-throat competition and promiscuous wage slashes" which he characterized as both unsound and unscientific. He said that he believed that capital, labor and management are entitled to proper return for their participation in any productive enterprise. Any system, he added, which denies such proper returns to any of these groups is unsound.

Secretary Doak said that there seems to be a lack of candor on the part of some public officers when they come to deal with exorbitant and ill-advised attempts to have the Federal Government foster and pay for all kinds of local improvements.

Chairman's Views

Stanley King, chairman of the meeting at which Secretary Doak spoke, is also chairman of the Massachusetts Commission for the Stabilization of Employment, and in discussing his subject as an individual member of that commission, without committing any of the members to his point of view, he said that in his opinion no man or body of men today is wise enough to frame a national program for the stabilization of employment on a Federal basis covering the entire country. He said in part:

"This problem of stabilization underlies our whole industrial civilization. In a handicraft culture, such as still prevails in Mexico, it is virtually non-existent. In all the industrialized countries of the world, it is, perhaps, the most critical problem faced by modern States. It must be solved. In any approach to a problem, I find it convenient to have a working hypothesis. May I suggest to you in outline the hypothesis on which I personally am proceeding, speaking now as an individual member of the commission without in any way committing my associates to this point of view?

"I believe that approaches to the problem should be attempted in each of our States; that we should attempt some 48 different attacks on the problem in our 48 separate State laboratories.

"Unemployment can be progressively reduced. It is not an incurable evil. If it is, we may as well give up discussing it, and do something more productive or more enjoyable.

"The responsibility for its reduction rests primarily with employers. The wage-earner can do little more than render an honest day's work when work is offered. Some employers have made marked progress; others have done little.

"The incidence of unemployment falls primarily on the wage-earner. It is met first by his accumulated savings; second, by private relief agencies. Its effects in decreased buying power are felt in every industry and business. As our industrial civilization progresses, the severity of these effects increases. The burden on the wage-earner is becoming intolerable to the social conscience of our people.

Sees Relief

L. C. Reynolds, assistant to the president of the American Writing Paper Company, Holyoke, discussing plans for the alleviation and relief of unemployment in times of economic stress, said that relief for unemployment has got to come this Winter and it is apparent that it may come in legislative form from our various Governmental agencies.

Speaking in part on whether unemployment is a condition to be dealt with primarily by the employe, the employer, the community, the State or the Nation, Mr Reynolds said: "If there were some means right now of issuing an edict, prohibiting anyone working more than 36 hours in any one week I believe this would operate to immediately set to work most of the unemployed. Such an edict would mean that companies operating 24 hours per day would have to immediately turn from three eight-hour shifts to four six-hour shifts, and mills or factories operating day shifts only would have to turn to a six-hour day or to two six-hour shifts with less days per week or some other method of rotating help if they desired to operate the full week."

Mr Reynolds said in part:

"There is one popular way in which to take care of our present situation, and while it is only temporizing, nevertheless it seems to be always the most favored plan of action by the human race. The remedy which today seems to be so popular is the dole, and it is the logical outcome of an attitudee of mind; first, on the part

HERALD 10/21/31

41,000 SIGN PLEA TO SAVE YARD

Indignation Luncheon Held By C. of C.—Ely to Sponsor Protest Resolve

CURLEY MAY CALL VETERANS' MEETING

With a petition of 41,000 signatures that the navy yard in Charlestown be maintained, Harris G. LeRoy, executive director of the Boys' Club of Boston, left for Washington last night to present to Secretary Adams evidence of the mounting opposition to the abandonment of the yard.

Other of the day's developments of the efforts to prevent the local navy yard from being affected by the navy department budget reductions were:

Gov. Ely announced he will send a special message to the current extraordinary legislative session urging adoption of a resolution of protest to the President, members of Congress and Secretary Adams.

At Washington Representative William J. Granfield of Longmeadow, Democrat, said he will confer with Secretary Adams today to urge the yard be maintained.

Civic, industrial, political and banking leaders voiced strenuous protest to the projected closing down of the base at an "indigation" luncheon of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, at which it was voted to ask for details of the recommendations for abandonment and for a statements of the economies which would be effected.

It was suggested to Mayor Curley that a mass meeting of veterans in Faneuil hall be called to protest the contemplated closing; and other resolutions of protest of the move were received by the offices of the Governor and mayor from various groups.

The 41,000 signatures to the protest petition LeRoy will try to present today to Secretary Adams were obtained by the Association for the Maintainence of the Charlestown Navy Yard, of which Richard S. Teeling, Boston lawyer, is president, and LeRoy an officer. The names are for the most part those of persons who would be affected by the closing of the yard.

Representative Granfield, according to Associated Press dispatches, said that practically every New England member of Congress was filing protests against the proposal to close down the yard. He said he would be accompanied during his conference today with Secretary Adams by Representative Cochran, Missouri, and would first confer with Representative Britten of Illinois, chairman of the last House naval affairs committee.

The "bill of particulars" concerning the reasons for recommendation of abandonment of the yard, and for a statement of economies which would be effected was requested by President Henry I. Harriman of the chamber of commerce in his speech at the protest luncheon yesterday.

Senators David I. Walsh and Marcus Coolidge, Congressmen McCormack of South Boston, Underhill, Douglass, Martin of Attleboro, Foss of Fitchburg, Rogers of Lowell and Dallinger of Cambridge, former Mayor Nichols and Mayors Casassa of Revere, Manning of Lynn, Larkin of Medford, McGrath of Quincy and Hastings of Malden and numerous others were among those who voiced protest at the meeting.

AIMEE POOR SOUL SAVER—CURLEY

Mayor Sarcastic at $941.43 Check—Says It Makes Him Fear for 'Lost Sheep'

With 50 per cent. of the profits of the revival meetings of Aimee McPherson Hutton equalling exactly $32.41, fears for the "lost sheep" outside the folds of the evangelist's saved souls were expressed yesterday by Mayor Curley.

In a letter to Richard G. Dunn, manager of the Boston Garden, Mayor Curley acknowledged Mrs. Hutton's total donation to the city of $941.43, of which all except $32.41 was a special collection taken at one of the meetings for Boston's unemployed. The mayor said:

I have forwarded the check as received to the public welfare department to be expended for the needy of Boston. I greatly regret that the amount is not larger and cannot refrain from expressing the thought that if the evangelist is not more successful in the saving of souls than she was in providing for the needs of the hungry and unemployed, I fear for the lost sheep.

MAYOR AND MAHATMA

The soothing political effects of the Gilbert and Sullivan light opera season are evident in the mayor's office at City Hall, the council chamber and the inner sanctum of the Hendricks Club, where the Mahatma in the straw hat guards his strong box. A week or two ago his honor was gazing wistfully at Mr. Lomasney, and John Me Fitzgerald of the West end, Mr. Lomasney's aide. The mayor had an opportunity to sell the North Grove street yards to the adjoining Massachusetts General Hospital at a good price. Mr. Lomasney and Mr. Fitzgerald did not object to that, but the yard, like the tariff, is to them local issue. They protested that if the property should be sold, the district ought to be compensated somehow. Now all parties have reached an agreement. Sanitary division quarters will be placed in the West end. The council has voted for the sale, with Mr. Fitzgerald recorded among the majority. So the mayor and the Mahatma may now join hands and sing the Gilbert and Sullivan duet:

And I am right
And you are right
And all is right as right can be.

Mr. Lomasney is not so sprightly as in his younger days, but there's lots of life and vigor in the old boy yet. His district has had many changes since the days when it was ward 8, but while the races have been coming and going and other local political leaders have risen and fallen, he still sits on top of his own little world. He is a strong, popular figure on the hill, although not a legislator, and the men from the western part of the state are still very fond of him. He came to the height of his power and rendered his greatest service to the commonwealth at the time of the constitutional convention. The head beneath the old straw hat is just as canny as ever.

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CURLEY "FEARS FOR LOST SHEEP" IF $941.43 IS BEST AIMEE CAN DO

When Aimee McPherson Hutton's unemployment fund check of $941.43 arrived a Mayor Curley's desk yesterday the Mayor promptly dictated an acknowledgment to Manager Richard G. Dunn of the Boston Garden.

"I greatly regret that the amount is not larger," he said, "and cannot refrain from expressing the thought that if the evangelist is not more successful in the saving of souls than she was in providing for the needs of the hungry and unemployed I fear for the lost sheep."

Of the total sum received by the Mayor for the Public Welfare Department, the sum of $32.41 represents half the profits from the revival meetings held by Aimee and the remainder represents the proceeds of the special collection taken up at the Garden at the final meeting Sunday evening.

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MAYOR FEARS FOR AIMEE'S "LOST SHEEP"

If Aimee McPherson Hutton "is not more successful in the saving of souls than she was in providing for the needs of the hungry and unemployed I fear for the lost sheep," Mayor Curley wrote yesterday to R. G. Dunn, manager of Boston Garden.

"I greatly regret that the amount is not larger," he wrote, in acknowledging receipt of $941.43, of which $32.41 represents 50 per cent of the "profit from the meetings."

The Garden corporation's check has been turned over the public welfare department for the needy.

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FINAL TRIBUTE TO DR. STRATTON

Educators and Laymen Mourn at Bier of Man Who Was Loved by All Technology Men

Hundreds paid a last tribute yesterday to Dr. Samuel Wesley Stratton, lying in state, before the altar in Trinity Church.

In the semi-gloom of the vaulted edifice it was a final benison on the brilliant educator-scientist who seemed not dead, but merely sleeping with the gentle smile so many knew in life still playing on his features, as he rested in the cloud-grey casket in his academic robes.

WREATH FROM PRESIDENT

Close by, drooped motionless around their poles, were two flags, the national colors and the State emblem. At the foot of the casket was a bright-green wreath of massive proportions, sent by his intimate friends, President and Mrs. Hoover. Over the casket's half-cover was a blanket of easter lilies from his three surviving sisters and nearby, symbolic of the fact that his work was done, was his academic cap with its gold tassel, on which the altar candle-light glinted.

Final tributes for the former president and late chairman of the board of the corporation of Technology were threefold. At noon the faculty and staff paid tribute in the main building at M. I. T. At 2:30 p. m. the funeral services were held at Trinity. From 3 to 5 p. m. the body lay in state for the public to view.

His immediate relatives in attendance were his sisters, Mrs. C. S. Newcomb and Miss M. E. Stratton, both of Pasadena, Cal., and Mrs. G. M. Hobbs of Chicago. The sisters from California were visiting their sister in Chicago when notified of the death and were able to arrive in time for the funeral.

Trinity was filled for the funeral services. In keeping with Dr. Stratton's disdain of ostentation they were simple in the extreme, chiefly musical, the mighty religious hymns sounding and resounding. There was no eulogy and the only spoken words came in the profound reading of the 121st psalm by the Rev. Arthur L. Kinsolving, rector of Trinity.

No eulogy was needed with such distinguished company as attended. Practically all present were friends he made during his lifetime. The educational world was widely represented, the delegation being headed by President A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard and President Karl T. Compton, successor to Dr. Stratton at Tech.

On behalf of the national government, Dr. George K. Burgess, who succeeded Dr. Stratton as director of the Bureau of Standards, the bureau which Dr. Stratton built up to win international recognition, was present. DeWitt C. DeWolf, secretary to Governor Ely, and Gaspar G. Bacon, president of the Senate, represented the State. Mayor James M. Curley represented the city, Brigadier-General Allston Hamilton the army, Rear-Admiral Louis N. Fulton the navy, Dr. Elihu Thomson, distinguished physicist, represented science and the Right Rev. William A. Lawrence the church.

Borne by Tech Men

The body was escorted into the church by 12 young men, undergraduates of Tech. In the church was a large delegation of students of the institute, including many of the foreign students, Chinese, Japanese, Arabian, South Americans and Europeans.

For the processional the choir sang "The Strife Is O'er." After the reading of the psalm all joined in singing the sorrowful yet strengthening hymn, "Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand." Dr. Kinsolving offered the prayer and benediction. Then came the recessional, "For All the Saints Who From Their Labors Rest." As the choir filed off the altar and into the vestry the notes echoed and re-echoed. Organist Francis W. Snow played "In Paradisium," by Mulet.

Women wept openly and stern captains of industry brushed tears away during the service. The sisters of Dr. Stratton and his secretary, Morris A. Parris, who was with him when he died and whom Dr. Stratton raised from a boy of 8, were deeply affected. But none more so than the late doctor's six servants who occupied a pew behind members of the family.

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JOSEPH M. WALSH

Joseph M. Walsh, 61, of 85 Dale st Roxbury, first cousin of Mayor Curley, died last night at the City Hospital where he was taken early in the evening after suffering a shock. Mayor Curley spent a half-hour with his cousin before death came at 10:30 o'clock.

When a youth, Walsh's parents died and he was brought up by the parents of Mayor Curley with the latter.

Mayor Curley returned to the hospital after being informed of the death of his cousin and appeared affected. He was accompanied by City Treas Edmund L. Dolan. He said the funeral would take place from the home of his brother, John J. Curley, in Roxbury.

MAYOR GUEST OF MAPCO CO.

Business Luncheon Tuesday at Parker House

Mayor Curley will be guest of honor at a luncheon given by the Mapco Potato Company, Tuesday, at the Parker House. The Mayor's concern for the development of New England industries has particularly interested him in the merchandising assistance which will be given to Boston's retail stores in selling a more-than-century-old product, and the new and progressive step for the relief of New England farmers, which will be outlined at this luncheon.

Dudley Harmon, executive secretary of the New England Council, will be toastmaster. Maine will send representatives to the luncheon, including E. L. Newdick, head of the Maine Department of Agriculture; Senator Stanley M. Wheeler, V. B. Kiefbeck, Maine publicity director; P. Merle Hoyt, one of the largest potato growers and operators in Aroostook County, and Milton E. Smith, president of the Mapco Potato Company.

A large representation from Boston and Massachusetts will include heads of many of Boston's leading stores and hotels. Dr. Arthur W. Gilbert, head of the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture, and many city and State officials.

MAYOR TAKES RAP AT AIMEE

Acknowledges Receipt of Cash—But—

Mayor Curley took a parting shot last night at Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton after he had deposited in the city treasury for the relief of the poor and the unemployed a contribution of $941.43, which she collected for the city at her revival meetings during the past two weeks at Boston Garden.

"If the evangelist is not more successful in saving souls than she was in providing for the needs of the hungry and unemployed, I fear for the lost sheep," Mayor Curley wrote to Manager Richard G. Dunn of Boston Garden, in acknowledging receipt of the check.

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NOTABLES ATTEND THE FUNERAL SERVICES FOR DR SAMUEL W. STRATTON OF M. I. T.

The State, City Governments of Boston and Cambridge and the colleges and other institutions of learning in New England and other places were represented at the funeral services for Dr Samuel W. Stratton, former president and later chairman of the executive committee of the corporation of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, held yesterday afternoon at 2:30 in Trinity Church.

The church auditorium was crowded and many persons were seated in the galleries. Extending across the front of the chancel was a solid bank of flowers. A wreath from President Hoover was included among the many floral tributes.

Bishop William Lawrence participated in the service and gave the benediction. Four other clergymen also officiated, including Rev Arthur Lee Kinsolving, rector of Trinity Church; Rev J. S. Moses of the Church of the Redeemer in Chestnut Hill, an intimate friend of Dr Stratton, and Rev Dr William E. Gardner and Rev Otis Radcliffe Rice of Trinity Church.

The vested choir of Trinity Church, under the direction of Organist Francis W. Snow, sang three hymns, "The Strife Is O'er," "Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand" and "For All the Saints," and chanted the 121st Psalm, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills."

For his organ numbers Mr Snow chose "Adorn Thyself, O Dear Soul," by Bach, and "In Paradisum," by Mulet.

Classes Curtailed

All class activities at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology ceased at 11 o'clock, and following a memorial service at the institute at noon, members of the corporation, faculty, student body and alumni association attended the service at Trinity in a body.

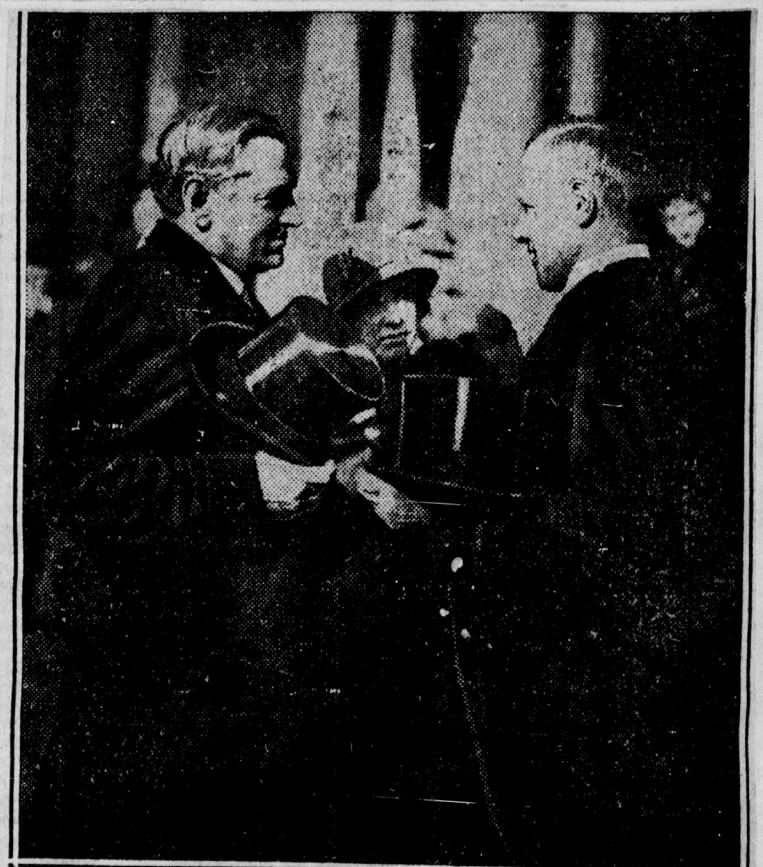
Among those present at the service was Robert H. Richards, professor-emeritus of mining of M. I. T., who is the oldest graduate, class 1868.

One of the most touching incidents of the service was the presence of Dr Stratton's colored servants, accompanied by members of their families.

List of Bearers

Among the honorary bearers were Pres Karl Taylor Compton of M. I. T., and Pres A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard University.

Others were Francis R. Hart, Charles T. Main, Everett Morss, Gerard Swope, Dr Elihu Thompson, Edwin S. Webster, Pres Karl T. Compton, all of whom are members of the executive committee of the corporation of Technology; J. E. Aldred, F. Wright Fabyan, William S. Forbes, John R. Freeman, Pres A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard University, Charles A. Stone, Capt W. S. Anderson, Dr George K. Burgess, director of the Bureau of Standards; Bradley Dewey, president of the Technology Alumni Association; Profs J. R. Jack, S. C. Prescott and F. S. Woods, chairman of the faculty; Dewitt C. Wolf, representing Gov Ely; Gen Allston Hamilton, War Department; Admiral L. M. Nulton, Navy Department, and Admiral D. W. Taylor.



MAYOR CURLEY AND PRES KARL COMPTON OF M. I. T., AND MRS COMPTON, AT FUNERAL SERVICES FOR DR STRATTON

Active bearers included 12 prominent undergraduates, Donald B. Gilman, president of the class of 1932; Clarence M. Chase, general manager of the Tech Engineering News; T. B. Rhines, president of the M. I. T. Athletic Association; H. D. Humphries, president of the sophomore class; R. G. McKay, president of the junior class; L. P. Leino, chairman of the dormitory committee; F. M. Moss, president of the Architectural Student Council; R. R. Hall, president of the Technology Christian Association; W. H. Barker, business manager of The Tech; C. M. Thayer, general manager of The Tech; J. E. Harper of Voodoo and T. R. Heim, general manager of Technique.

The chief usher was Prof Ralph G. Hudson. Faculty ushers who aided him were Profs George E Russell, Miles S. Sherrill, Robert S. Sherrill, Robert S. Williams, Donald S. Tucker, John W. M. Bunker, George Owen, Gordon B. Wilkes, Murray P. Horwood, Fairfield E. Raymond and J. Rhyne Killian. Student ushers were John M. Kimble and Carroll L. Wilson.

Institutions Represented

Among the educational institutions represented were:

Brown University, James S. Allen; Wellesley College, Pres Ellen F. Pendleton; Tufts College, Dean George P. Bacon; University of New Hampshire, Dean George W. Case; Wheaton College, Prof Poulleur; Radcliffe College, Dean Bernice Brown; University of Vermont, Prof Carroll Doten; University of Pittsburg, Prof George L. Stout of Harvard University.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Dean T. J. Bradley of Boston College of Pharmacy; Bowdoin College, Prof D. C. Stanwood; Clark University, Dr Percy M. Roope; University of Maine, Prof W. J. Sweetser; Williams College, Pres H. A. Garfield; University of Chicago, Dr R. D. Bennett; University of Illinois, Mr C. H. Blackall; Bates College, Richard Stanley; Trinity College, John S. Moses; Colby College, Prof Marston Morse of Harvard University.

Amherst College, R. W. Maynard, trustee; Mt Holyoke College, Dr Louisa Stevenson; Middlebury College, Dr J. E. Parker; Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Pres Ralph Earle and Truman D. Hayes, president of the Alumni Association; Yale University, Mortimer Seabury; Boston University, Senator Gaspar G. Bacon; Massachusetts Agricultural College, George H. Ellis, chairman, board of trustees; Dartmouth College, Lewis Parkhurst, senior trustee; Providence College, Prof John McGrail; Wesleyan University, Roswell Davis.

Rhode Island State College and Simmons College were also represented.

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WASHINGTON BUST PRESENTED TO MAYOR

Prof. Hart Outlines Purpose of 1932 Celebration

In the presence of members of federal, state and municipal commissions planning the observance next year of the Washington bi-centennial, Prof. Albert Bushnell Hart of Harvard, national historian of the United States George Washington bi-centennial commission, yesterday presented Mayor Curley with a bust of Washington.

The exercises were held in the broadcasting studio at City Hall and were broadcast by WNAC. Prof. Hart outlined the purpose of the forthcoming observance which will continue from Washington's birthday through Thanksgiving of 1932. Other speakers were Thomas A. Mullen, Alexander Brin, Maj. Robert E. Greene of the Massachusetts commission and Mayor Curley. The mayor announced that the bust would be exhibited at City Hall and that Boston will actively participate in next year's celebration.

JOSEPH M. WALSH, MAYOR'S COUSIN, DIES

Stricken with a shock late yesterday afternoon, Joseph M. Walsh of 85 Dale street, Roxbury, cousin of Mayor Curley, died at City Hospital at 10:30 o'clock last night.

Early last evening Mayor Curley visited Walsh for a half hour at the hospital, having given up all previous engagements to see his boyhood chum. The mayor again visited the hospital late last night to make funeral arrangements.

Mothers of Mayor Curley and Walsh were sisters. Walsh was left an orphan when a child and he was taken into the Curley home and brought up with the mayor and his brother, John J. Curley.

For 25 years Walsh was employed as an accountant by the Standard Oil Company. He retired last May.

When his wife died about 15 years ago he went to live at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Emma Battles of 85 Dale street, Roxbury.

Mayor Curley was visibly affected by the sudden death of his favorite cousin when he arrived at City Hospital last night with City Treasurer Edmund Dolan and Dr. Lawrence McCarthy.

The funeral will be held from the home of the mayor's brother, John J. Curley, 52 Winthrop street, Roxbury, at a time to be announced later.

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VOLUNTEERS TO GIVE GREAT AID TO POOR

Substantial relief for the poor and unemployed here during the winter months will be provided by the Volunteers of America, Mrs. Walter Duncan, colonel of the organization, informed Mayor Curley last night.

She explained that her group was cooperating with the city public welfare officials and was planning to obtain from 5000 to 7000 pairs of shoes for needy youngsters, a practice which the organization had carried out each winter for the past 12 years.

Theodora House, the volunteers' home for widowed and deserted mothers with their children, will again be available this winter, she said, and arrangements were being completed to care for the needy in their homes, making it unnecessary to establish bread lines or soup kitchens.

314 OVERCOATS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

To keep the firemen warm during the winter months, Mayor Curley yesterday approved a contract to provide 314 uniform overcoats for members of the fire department at a total cost of $6107.30. The contract went to the firm of Donahue and Reardon, which agreed to use uniform cloth made here.

At the same time the Mayor approved a contract of $3879.11 for supplying milk to the city health and park departments, obtaining a price of nine and one-half cents a quart from Herlihy brothers, lowest bidders.

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CURLEY DEFENDS HIS 'SLUMP CURE'

Firm in Belief Big Public Works Plan Is Solution

In answer to criticism by Alexander Whiteside, vice-president of the Massachusetts Tax Association, for his plan of generous expenditure of public money as a cure for depression, Mayor Curley yesterday branded the Whiteside program as a "cowardly brand of economy" and added that he is firm in the opinion that if a courageous, constructive policy had been adopted a year ago, it would have ended industrial depression then.

In closing his answer to the Whiteside attack the mayor said:

"Faith and good works are what is needed at the present time, Mr. Whiteside, not the cowardly brand of economy and inaction which you recommend and which might better be characterized as treason at this time."

The proposal to close the Charlestown navy yard is pointed out by the mayor as a coincidence with the publishing of a request that all employers refrain from discharging help or reducing wages. The 1800 men with dependent families would have to seek relief from the municipalities and become objects of charity if the yard were closed, he said.

That Boston has provided for the unemployed and the needy without recourse to appeals for funds or the creation of a community chest is pointed out by the mayor. Fortified with the belief, he continued, that every decent, self-respecting citizen prefers an opportunity to work for a livelihood rather than receive charity from any individual or municipality, the city will continue to provide for its jobless.

Varous projects now underway, such as the tunnel extension at Governor square and school houses are outlined by the mayor in that they give employment to men whom the city would have to care for. He explains that 1500 ex-service men, given employment at the tunnel extension, would be entitled by law to $60 per month on an average until work was furnished them.

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VOLUNTEERS PLEDGE THEIR AID TO MAYOR

Promise to Help in Caring for City's Needy

In a communication sent to Mayor James M. Curley yesterday, Mrs Walter Duncan, colonel of the Volunteers of America, the New England headquarters of which are located at 58 Cambridge st, assured the Mayor that the organization would do everything it can to alleviate the sufferings from need and unemployment and stated that every effort would be made to care for women and children.

Mrs Duncan declared that Theodora House, the organization's home for widowed and deserted mothers and their children, will be available for special cases and that plans were being perfected to expand relief measures for the coming Winter.

Mrs Duncan said that besides financial relief the needy will be given shoes, rubbers, food, fuel, milk and clothing. It is the intention of the Volunteers to give out as many pairs of shoes as possible to help families depending on meager incomes. It is expected that the organization will give out some 7000 pairs of shoes to men, women and children.

"Our Thanksgiving dinners and Christmas baskets for the poor will be continued," Mrs Duncan said. "An increase in the number will undoubtedly be required, owing to so much prolonged unemployment. Especially do we intend to see that aged men and women, in lonely tenements, are provided with Christmas fare and good cheer.

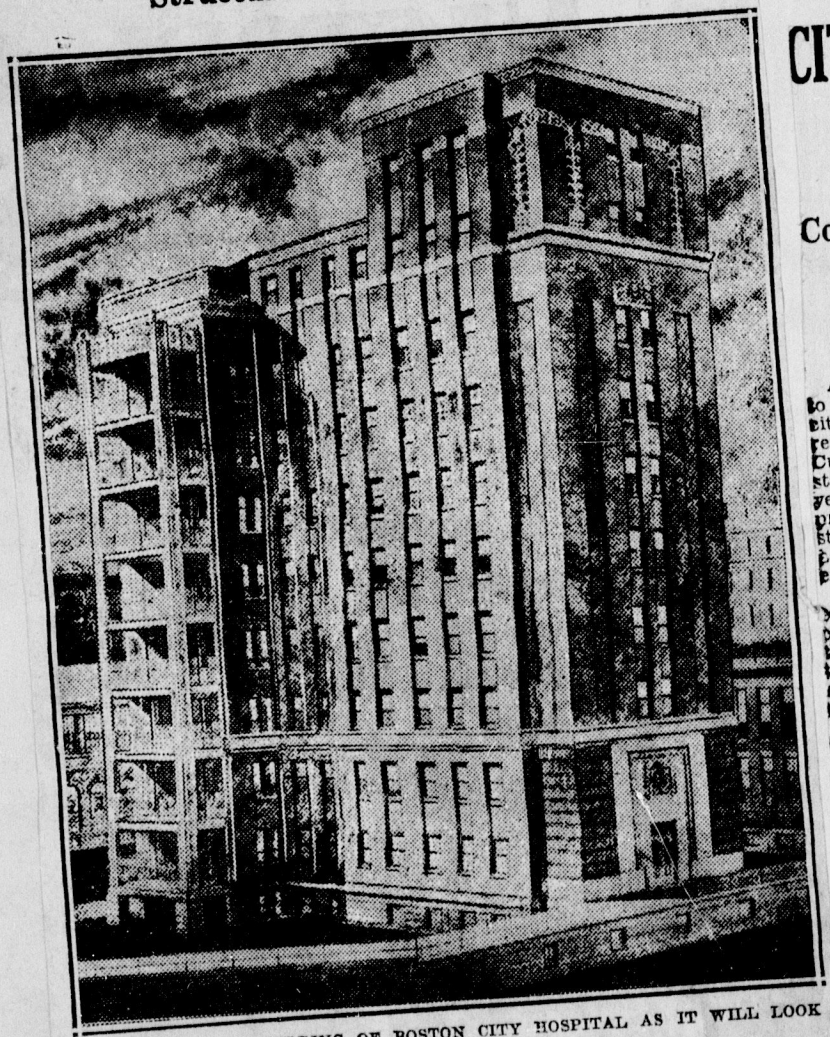
"As we are advised at this time we do not propose to create any bread lines or establish soup kitchens. Whatever help is afforded, should in our opinion, be given in the home and without an attempt to capitalize on the misfortune of the poor by subjecting them to humiliating publicity. Our relief department will continue to care for those who appeal to us for temporary relief and this department can also be expanded to meet special needs that may arise.

"Judging from the applications that we have had during the Summer, the calls upon us this Winter are likely to be very heavy."

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MAYOR STARTS WORK ON HOSPITAL BUILDING

Makes an Electric Arc Weld on New Pediatric Structure—Process Noiseless



NEW PEDIATRIC BUILDING OF BOSTON CITY HOSPITAL AS IT WILL LOOK UPON COMPLETION.

Hundreds of patients and a few sheep on the grounds of the Boston City Hospital watched Mayor Curley make an electric arc weld, this morning, on the new pediatric building of the hospital. The patients, sitting at windows of surrounding buildings and on porches, cheered and clapped when the Mayor touched the bright, blue light to a steel girder and a shower of crackling sparks fell to the ground.

The Mayor explained to the group of workmen, nurses and internes standing below the platform on which he stood, that the process of electric welding was an important advance in building construction. The building is the first in Boston to be constructed in this way.

"Work can go on here," the Mayor said, "without a single patient two buildings beyond knowing anything about it. The board of trustees and Dr John Dowling, superintendent of the hospital, are to be congratulated on choosing this method [illegible] as it is, with regard for the nerves of their patients."

In commenting on electric welding, the Mayor paid tribute to the late Thomas Edison, to whom mankind owes more, perhaps, than to any other individual, he said.

"This building will mark, in part, the completion of a construction program at the hospital," he said, "which has been going on for more than 10 years. Six million dollars have already been spent. Four million dollars will be spent in the future."

The new unit of the hospital is adjacent to the Burnham Memorial Building and will be used for the care and treatment of children. It will be 10 stories high, of brick, and will contain 500 tons of structural steel. Small steel parts for the framework have been put together in the shops of the Palmer Steel Company in Holyoke, and will be welded onto the structure without the use of rivets or bolts. The chief virtues of the method are that it eliminates noise, and is economical and quick. Mellon, Taylor & Henderson of Philadelphia are the welding contractors, and James H. Ritchie and associates are the architects.

The board of trustees of the hospital, Dr Dowling, superintendent of the hospital, city officials, architects and engineers were present at the ceremony.

A strike by employes of the electrical contractor yesterday delayed the connection of the generator sets for the welders. So it was necessary today to use a gasoline engine, motor-driven set.

Traveler 10/23/31

CITY EMPLOYES TO AID RELIEF

Contributions to Run from One to Three P. C. of Salaries

A decision to invite all city employes to make voluntary contributions to the city's unemployment relief fund was reached today at a conference of Mayor Curley and department heads. The state unemployment commission of last year was vigorously attacked and the prediction made that if the present state unemployment commission doesn't adopt new tactics it contribution to unemployment relief will be negligible.

Under the mayor's plan city employes earning under $2100 will be asked to contribute a minimum of 1 per cent. of their weekly salaries. Those from $2100 to $2900 will be asked for 2 per cent., and those earning $3000 or over, will contribute 3 per cent.

The contributions, it was stated, will be kept in a special fund which will be administered by the city's public welfare department.

After William Phillips, chairman of Gov. Ely's unemployment commission, h adasked for the co-ordination of all relief activities in Boston and had sugseted co-operative action by the employers the financial organizations and the religious associations, Director John J. Shields of the municipal employment bureau characterized Gov. Allen's unemployment commission as absolutely worthless.

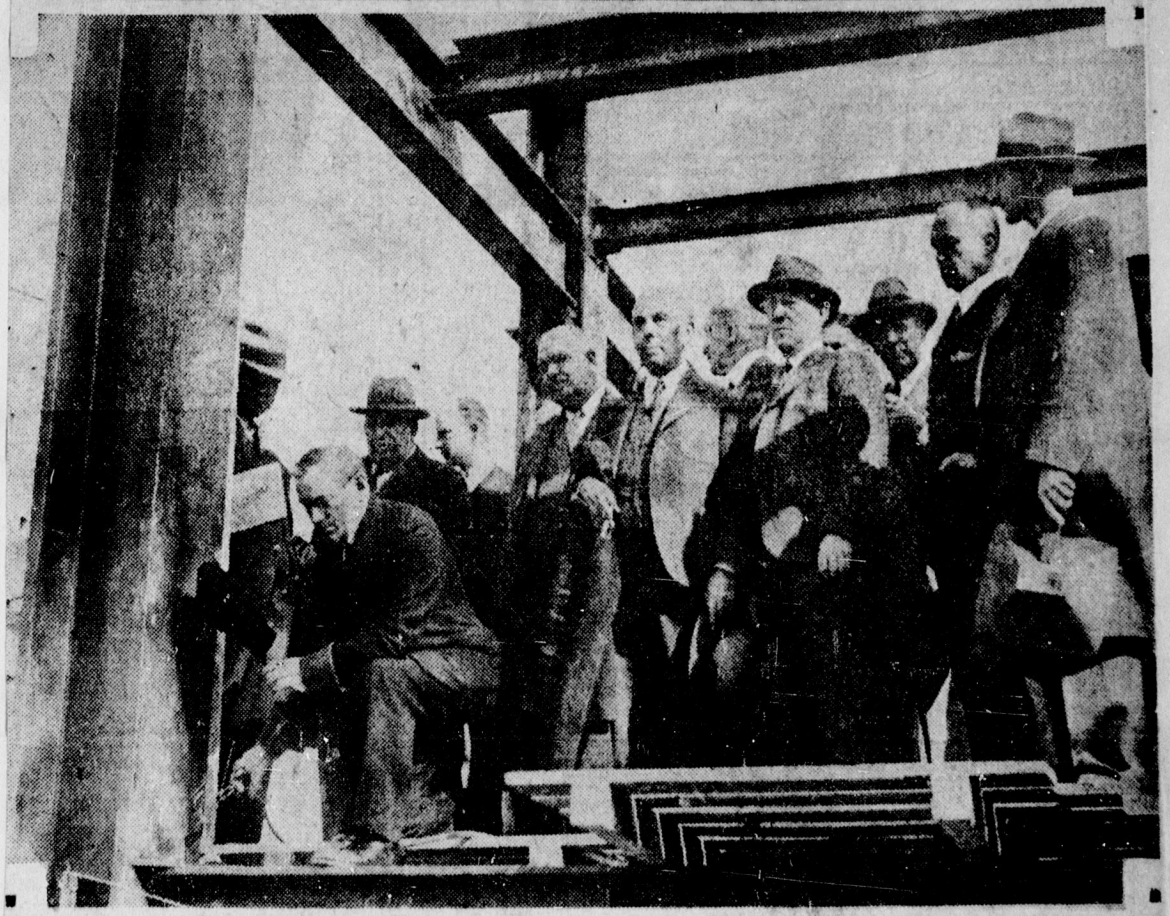
He declared that all that this commission did was to send applicants for jobs to the city employment bureau and that the members appeared more interested in obtaining publicity for themselves than in finding jobs.

Shields predicted that the Phillips commission would be valueless unless it arranged some system of stimulating employment.

Mayor Curley declared that the commission of a year ago outside of publicity accomplished nothing. He agreed that next week he will call a meeting of representatives of religious and financial organizations as well as large employers of labor.

AMERICAN 10/23/31

MAYOR WORKS WITH HOT IRON 'GLUE'



The first electric weld in the new 10-story building at City Hospital was made today by Mayor Curley at special exercises opening the work. Commenting on the new method of construction, which eliminates the noise of riveting, he paid tribute to the genius of Thomas A. Edison, whose inventions made today's work possible. (Staff photo.)

MAYOR HANDLES WELDING TORCH

Mayor Curley paid tribute to Thomas A. Edison today at exercises attending the first welding work on the new ten-story pediatrics building at the Boston City Hospital.

Mayor Curley made the first electric weld on the new building while Dr. John J. Dowling, superintendent; hospital trustees, and city officials looked on.

"To Edison, perhaps more than any other individual, do we owe this new type of construction," Mayor Curley said.

"It will be possible to do this work without a single patient knowing that a structure 10 stories high is being built."

When finished the building will in part complete a program of complete renovation of the Boston hospital system, for which $10,000,000 has been appropriated. Of this, $6,000,000 already has been used.

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CITY EMPLOYES TO AID JOBLESS

Voluntary Contributions on Percentage Basis

Mayor Curley addressed a meeting of department heads today, at which an agreement was reached on a voluntary system of contribution by city employes to the unemployment fund.

Asst City Clerk John Hynes offered a plan whereby city employes who can, will contribute 1 percent of their salary up to $2100 a year. Employes who receive from $2100 to $2900 will contribute 2 percent of the sum, and 3 percent on all salaries of $3000 or over.

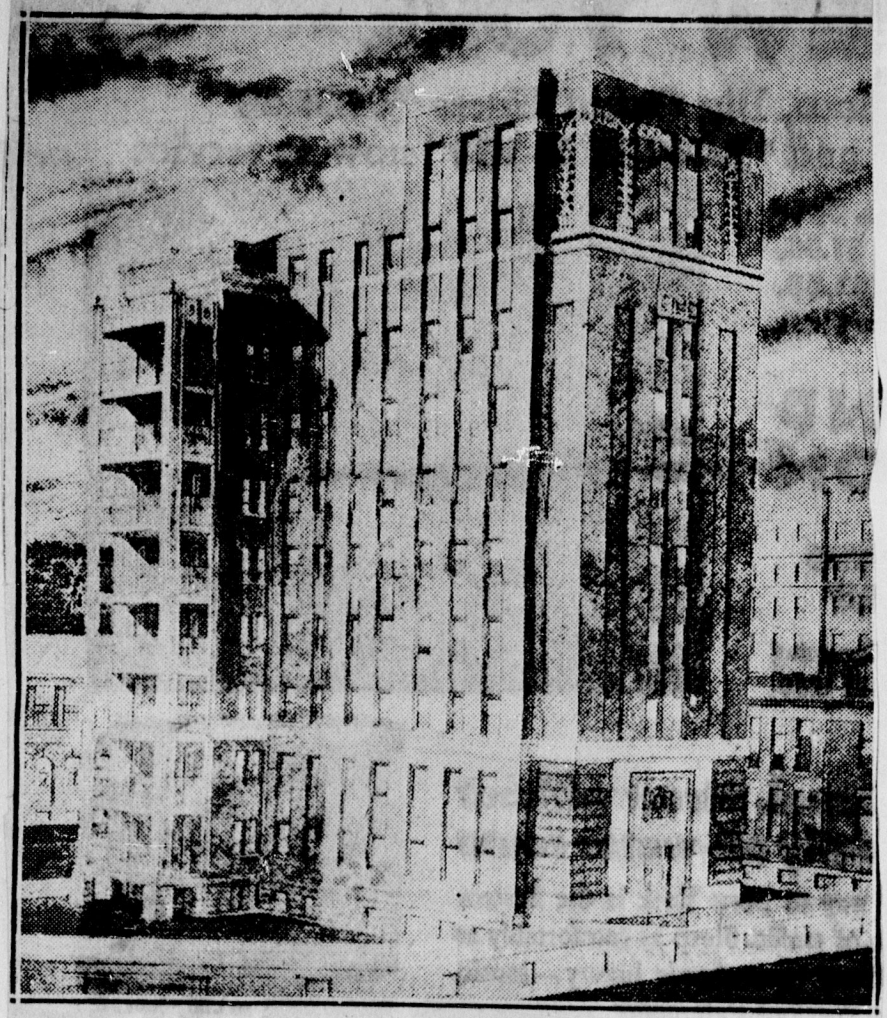
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Phillips said that he knew Boston has its own plans for caring for unemployment, yet he wanted to present plans which the State organization has made.

TRANSCRIPT 10/23/31

New Unit for City Hospital



Construction Work on Pediatric Building to Begin Today When Mayor Curley Makes First Electric Weld in Frame Work

THE first electric weld on the steel frame of the new pediatric building of the Boston City Hospital was made by Mayor James M. Curley at ten o'clock this morning. Prominent architects and engineers were present.

The new building will be ten stories high and will contain 500 tons of structural steel. It will be the second building in the Boston area to be completely electrically welded. Parts of the steel frame have been electrically welded in the shop of the Palmer Steel Company of Holyoke, and these parts will be electrically welded together as the building is erected. No rivets or bolts will be used for connecting any parts of the structure.

Electric welding is being used in this building not only because it is economical, but because it will permit the silent erection of a steel building in the area surrounded by a number of buildings of the City Hospital. The building is being erected adjacent to the Burnham Memorial Building and will be used exclusively for the care and treatment of children.

The architects are James H. Ritchie and Associates. The general contractor is John Bowen Company of Boston. The steel work is being taken care of by the Palmer Steel Company, Inc., of Springfield, and the electric welding by Mellon Taylor, Hendrickson, Inc., of Philadelphia, Pa.

AMERICAN 10/23/31

DIDN'T DO HIS PART FOR POOR, HE CHARGES

Husband of Evangelist Says: "He Didn't Fuss Us; We Have Met Bigger Men"

Providence, Oct. 23—Mayor Curley of Boston is "just a politician," according to "Brother" David Hutton, new and portly husband of Aimee Semple McPherson, the evangelist.

Hutton today criticzed Mayor Curley for 'a raw deal" in connection with his failure to appear at any of Aimee's meetings in Boston after demanding one-half the profits for the poor.

"Put this in the papers," said Hutton, who arrived with his noted wife for a three-day revival, starting tonight. "Mayor Curley of Boston didn't do his part. We did ours and he doesn't fuss us at all. He's just a politician.

"We've been met by bigger men than he is and they've all been very nice, so we won't worry about him."

Referring to a recent letter in which Mayor Curley wrote Richard Dunn, manager of the Boston Garden, expressing apprehension for the welfare of her "sheep," if she didn't do any better by them than she did for the Boston poor, Hutton said:

"He was just looking for something to find fault with."

The Huttons will hold services at the Rhode Island auditorium tonight, tomorrow night and Sunday.

City Employees to Contribute $150,000

Heads of the various city departments in conference today with Mayor Curley adopted a plan whereby contributions estimated to total $150,000 in six months may be contributed voluntarily by employees of the city to relief of the city's unemployed.

Under the terms of the plan employees receiving $2100 a year would contribute 1 per cent of their salaries each month; those receiving $3000 a year would donate 2 per cent; and those receiving in excess of $3000 would give 3 per cent. The money will go into a special fund to be administered by the public welfare department.

The conference was addressed by William Phillips, chairman of Governor Ely's emergency unemployment committee. He explained that his organization was not a job-finding body and stated that it is endeavoring to have religious, business and other organizations co-operate with all of the municipalities in the attempt to relieve unemployment. Mayor Curley declared that the governor's employment commission of last year, other than winning publicity, had brought about only negligible results. He went on to say that certain members of "so-called emergency committees" are the chief offenders when it comes to the discharge of help. He stated that he will call a meeting within a week at the Boston City Club of representative religious, financial and manufacturing people and will try to have a showdown to have them assume their part of the present burden.

TRAVELER 10/23/31

Curley Pays Tribute to Edison, Making First Weld in Hospital Unit



Mayor James M. Curley making the first electric arc weld on the new Pediatric building at Boston City Hospital today while directors, trustees and engineers look on. In the front row, left to right, Mayor Curley, Joseph P. Manning, chairman of the trustees of the hospital, and Dr. John P. Dowling, director of the hospital.

Pediatric Bldg. Started at Boston City Before Distinguished Guests

Paying tribute to the late Thomas A. Edison as having more to do with the development and advancement of civilization than any other individual in history and saying that electrical work represents his outstanding contribution to humanity, Mayor James M. Curley today made the first electric weld on the new Pediatric building at the Boston City Hospital in the presence of hospital trustees, city officials, and a large group of persons prominent in civic development and medical circles.

STRESSES ADVANTAGES

Mayor Curley emphasized the advantages of using electric arc welding in the construction of buildings and said: "It will be possible to construct this building without a single patient in two buildings away knowing that a building is being built. To Edison, perhaps more than any other person, we owe this new method of construction in use in this new Pediatric building."

He said that this structure marked the completion of one part of a building program started 10 years ago involving a sum of $10,000,000. Of this sum, $6,000,000 has already been spent. He spoke of asking the Legislature for $3,000,000 more next year, and said that "Upon the completion of the program we will have new buildings or rebuilt and reconditioned ones throughout the Boston City Hospital."

The completed Pediatric building will be a 10-story steel and brick structure, taking the place of two old pavilions formerly occupied by children, and is being constructed in the form of a Roman cross. The basement will contain a clinical laboratory, a schoolroom and the admitting room for that building.

Eight stories will be given over to children, the floors being divided into cubicles. There will be one ward for premature babies on each of these floors. The two top floors will be for infants, with both a summer and winter solarium on the top floor.

Many of the windows throughout this new structure are of the type which do not cut off the health-giving rays of the sun.

This Pediatric building is being constructed at an approximate cost of $560,000 and is expected to be completed and in use before the first of June. The architects are James H. Ritchie and Associates. The general contractor is John Bowen Company of Boston. The steel work is being taken care of by the Palmer Steel Company, Inc., of Springfield, and the electric welding by Mellon Taylor, Hendrickson, Inc., of Philadelphia.

Among the architects, electrical engineers and medical authorities present were James H. Ritchie, of James H. Ritchie and Associates; J. T. Whitney, president, Whitney Engineering Company; A. C. Waghorne, vice-president, Palmer Steel Company; J. L. Faden, electrical hoisting engineer with the Edison Company; Edward W. Roemer, building commissioner; Dr. John P. Dowling, director of the Boston City Hospital, and Joseph P. Manning, chairman of the trustees of the hospital.

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WHITESIDE SCORED BY THE MAYOR

Curley Defends Great Improvements to Make Jobs

In a reply to criticism of his policy of spending public money generously for civic improvements as one method for overcoming the depression, Mayor Curley last night declared his critic, Alexander Whiteside, vice-president of the Massachusetts Tax Association, favored a cowardly brand of economy and inaction.

GOES INTO DETAILS

"I have been condemned and criticised by the vice-president of the Massachusetts Tax Association, Mr. Whiteside, as an extravagant spender, and I confess I am at loss to know to what particular item he has reference," the Mayor said.

Then taking up one after another the big projects already under way or contemplated by his administration, he gave detailed analyses of the expenditures and the reason for making them.

"Through the expenditure of $5,100,000," he said, "it has been possible to provide employment upon the construction of the Boylston street tunnel extension at Governor square for 1500 former service men who, if unable to procure employment on this job, would under the law be entitled to an average of $60 per month until work was furnished them. The payments of the Soldiers' Relief department in this period of depression have been no greater than in times of prosperity and this result may in a large measure be traced to this item which stamps me among other items as an extravagant spender."

His recommendation of $11,000,000 for the construction of an arterial highway to relieve traffic congestion and to provide adequate approaches to the East Boston tunnel is easily warranted, the Mayor claimed. He said the American Road Builders' Association estimated that traffic loss in Boston amounted to $81,000 a day, due to time lost in side streets. This amounts to the equivalent of 5 per cent on a capital investment of $591,000,000.

Kept Relief Down

"Reference has been made to the expenditure of $14,000,000 for schoolhouse construction. I was unsuccessful in securing the full amount desired," he said, "but the actual expenditure this year will approximate $9,000,000, and this will not only provide employment for many hundreds of laborers and mechanics, but will make possible the permanent elimination of a large number of school buildings, menaces to the health, limb and life of our children."

He defended the dredging of South Bay for its enhancement of land values and the economical expansion it would afford to the city's business activities. The East Boston strandway proposition, which also drew criticism from Whiteside, was declared by the Mayor to be a reflection of his efforts years ago for the South Boston strandway.

"I leave it to the fair-mindedness of the people of the city whether or not the development of the strandway in South Boston has been worth while," he challenged.

"It has been possible," the Mayor said, "for the city of Boston to meet its obligations to the Public Welfare Department, which represent an expenditure of almost $1000 each hour of the 24, without establishing so-called Hoover bread lines or Hoover soup kitchens, through a programme of public improvements financed through long-term bond issues."

He charged the economic programme advocated by Whiteside would mean, if taken literally, "that the present depression should be continued as a permanent institution."

"Faith and good works," he concluded, "is what is needed, Mr. Whiteside, not the cowardly brand of economy and inaction which you recommend, which might better be characterized as treason at this time, when six million fathers are seeking in vain to obtain work so that wives and children may neither starve nor freeze in a New England winter."

American 10/23/31

CITY HELP TO RAISE FUND FOR JOBLESS

All Employes Are to Contribute From Pay; Curley Plans a Relief Meeting

Adoption of a plan for city employes to contribute a percentage of their wages to aid unemployed, together with criticism of last year's state unemployment commission and Chairman Walter Gifford of President Hoover's organization, featured the regular monthly meeting of Boston department heads at City Hall today.

Mayor Curley, who presided, also announced he would call a meeting for next week of church, civic and business leaders to devise means of returning to work thousands who have been discharged, and to "do something" about wage cutting.

The wage contribution, suggested by Asst. City Clerk John Hynes, is to go into effect November 1, the money to go into a special fund kept apart from the appropriations for the welfare department.

NOT AN ASSESSMENT

Employes receiving less than $2100 will be asked to contribute 1 per cent of their wages; $2100 to $2900 will call for 2 per cent, and $3000 and over 3 per cent.

City Auditor Rupert S. Craven explained it was in no sense to be regarded as an assessment, and no contributions would be expected from those on whom they would work a hardship.

Mayor Curley appointed City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan, Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox and City Auditor Carven as a committee to handle the fund. They are to co-operate with Edward Willey, treasurer of the overseers of public welfare, in the expenditure of the funds.

ATTACKS GIFFORD

The criticisms of the State unemployment commission of last year and of Walter Gifford were directed by John J. Shields, director of the municipal employment bureau, and Mayor Curley.

They resulted from the appearance before the gathering of William Phillips, chairman of the present State commission, who asked the support of everyone in the Commonwealth for his organization. He also praised the Boston welfare department as the best he had ever heard of.

Director Shields, the next speaker, said he had tried to obtain cooperation from last year's state unemployment commission without success.

"Instead of trying to find jobs and create work," he said, "I have evidence of their activities in 15,000 applications by jobless who they sent to my department."

Mayor Curley endorsed Director Shields', adding that the commission's work last year was negligible. He said that Chairman Gifford of the President's commission was the chief offender in the matter of discharging help.

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MAYOR STRIKES BACK AT CRITIC, WHITESIDE

Defends Policy of Spending to Give Jobless Work

Insisting that the way to overcome depression is by generous expenditures of public money rather than by increases in charity payments or by a dole, Mayor Curley last night issued a statement answering criticism of his policy made Wednesday at the conference of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts by Alexander Whiteside, vice president of the Massachusetts Tax Association.

At that conference, Mr Whiteside expressed the belief that governmental economy should be practiced in hard times and cited instances of free spending by municipalties. He called Mayor Curley a conspicuous example of Mayors who have no real desire to economize.

Means Permanent Slump

Mayor Curley, in his statement, asserted that the economic policy as advocated by Mr Whiteside "would mean, if taken literally, that the present depression should be continued as a permanent institution." A courageous, constructive policy, if adopted even a year ago, would have at that time ended the industrial depression, the Mayor said.

Proclamations, appointments of commissions and an admonition that this is to be the severest Winter of the century, are all that the American public have received from Washington, instead of leadership, direction and a constructive program of work, the Mayor declared.

"The city of Boston," said Mayor Curley, "has provided for the unemployed and the needy without recourse to appeals for funds or the creation of a community chest and will continue to do so, fortified with the belief that every decent, self-respecting citizen prefers an opportunity to work for a livelihood rather than become the recipient of the charity of any individual or of the municipality.

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Baffled by Attack

"I have been condemned and criticized by the vice president of the Massachusetts Tax Association, Mr Whiteside, as an extravagant spender, and I confess I am at a loss to know to what particular item he has reference.

"Through the expenditure of $5,100,000 it has been possible to provide employment upon the construction of the Boylston-st tunnel extension at Governor sq for 1500 former service men who, if unable to procure employment upon this job, would under the law be entitled to an average payment of $60 per month each until work was furnished them. The payments of the Soldiers' Relief Department in this period of depression have been no greater than in time of prosperity, and this result may in large measure be traced to this item which stamps me among other items as an extravagant spender.

"Reference has been made to the Legislative program of 1930 and my recommendation of $11,000,000 for the first step in the construction of an arterial highway for the purpose of relieving congestion and to provide adequate approaches for the East Boston vehicular tunnel.

"The American Road Builders' Association recently estimated the traffic loss in Boston at $81,000 per day due to time lost on side streets or an equivalent of 5 percent on a capital investment of $591,000,000. In view of the facts as here presented it would appear that the arterial highway might have been a good investn ent in a business way for the city.

Ends Portable Schools

"Reference has been made to the expenditure of $14,000,000 for schoolhouse construction. I was unsuccessful in securing the full amount desired, but the actual expenditure this year for construction will approximate $9,000,000, and this expenditure will not only provide employment for many hundreds of laborers and mechanics, but will make possible the permanent elimination of a large number of portable school buildings—a menace to the health, limb and life of our children.

"The dredging of the South Bay was recommended by a special Legislative Commission composed of eminent engineers and health authorities, who found that the cost of the improvement would be largely, if not fully, met by the enhancement of land values and the economical expansion of the city's business activities. This Legislative Committee found that the water-borne commerce of the Albany-st frontage has become relatively insignificant, and that the waterway was a barrier to rail access to that district from the extensive railroad yards which in recent years have been built on land reclaimed from the easterly side of South Bay.

"Some 37 acres were involved, the filling in of which would permit the entire rejuvenation of the Albany-st district as a thriving industrial and warehouse section, served by rail instead of by water.

Defends Strandway Plan

"The proposed East Boston Strandway also came in for a share of Mr Whiteside's criticism and is merely an echo of the criticism which accompanied my efforts years ago for a similar development in the South Boston district. I leave it to the fair-mindedness of the people of the city whether or not the development of the Strandway in South Boston has been worth while.

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FIRST WELD ON CITY HOSPITAL UNIT TODAY

Mayor Curley to Make It—Will Be First in Boston Area With Complete Electric Construction

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BOOST FOR UNEMPLOYED



Joseph Balter, owner of the Boston Store, is to give 5 per cent of his receipts for two weeks to the unemployed, during the sale now in progress. Mayor Curley and Mr. Balter are shown in the store.

Globe 10/24/31

CURLEY PAYS GREAT TRIBUTE TO EDISON

Tribute to Thomas A. Edison was paid by Mayor Curley in an address yesterday after he had started work on the new pediatric building at the City Hospital.

The framework of the building is being constructed by electric welding, the first of its type in Boston, and the process is practically noiseless. In commenting on electric welding, the Mayor said "mankind owes more to Thomas A. Edison, perhaps, than to any other individual."

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The board of trustees of the hospital Dr Dowling, superintendent, city officials, architects and engineers were present at the ceremony.

Globe 10/24/31

MAYOR TELLS AIMEE POOR FUND GOT $941

Evangelist Disturbed by Story It Was Only $32

New York press comment that the unemployed of Boston got only $32 as a result of her revival collections apparently disturbed Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton and her husband David to such an extent that they wired Mayor Curley from New York, asking that he send them a note on official stationery to Providence, that it was $900 rather than $32.

The Mayor speedily replied to Mr and Mrs Hutton's telegram, acknowledging $909.62 from the collection for the unemployed and $32.41—"the contribution from the profits of the Boston revival."

The Mayor also added to his message:

"Apparently during the depression the law of compensation under which the good are rewarded and the evil are punished has, if we may judge by receipts, been disregarded."

CURLEY MAKES NEW MOVE FOR JOBLESS

Plans Conference of City Civic Leaders

Speaking at a conference of city department heads yesterday who were discussing contributions by workers for the support of the unemployed, Mayor Curley said he would call a conference of religious and financial leaders and employers of labor to see if he could induce them to keep men at work and introduce a "stagger" system which would help find work for the unemployed.

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Raps Committee

John J. Shields, director of the Boston Municipal Employment Bureau, criticized the Governor's unemployment committee of last year. He said that all it did was to send 15,000 applicants to the Boston unemployment office, and did nothing to help the situation.

The Mayor was of somewhat the same opinion.

"Shields has summed it up," he said. "Outside of publicity received, the results were negligible. Old clothes were called for, but old clothes are hardly good."

Mr Phillips then explained that he had not been a member of last year's Governor's committee and also said that the committee is not a job-finding organization.

Mayor Curley asked Ex-Pres Nathan Sidd of the Boston Central Labor Union and now a member of the City Planning Board, what he thought labor's attitude would be toward the six-hour day. It appeared, however, that the six-hour day, in two shifts, would not be practicable for outdoor work.

For Five-Hour Day

The five-hour day, in two shifts during daylight, with wages paid for the number of hours worked, was suggested.

Sidd thought that was the only salvation of unemployment.

In addressing the heads of the departments, the Mayor said that he would like them to appreciate the necessity of economizing. Economy must be practiced, he said, without resorting, however, to salary reductions and dismissals.

AMERICAN 10/24/31

SAVE NAVY YARD MOVE SPREADS

Veteran, civic and fraternal organizations increased their drive to save the Boston Navy Yard today as word came from Secretary of the Navy Adams that abandonment of the yard is still scheduled on the 1932 budget.

Latest developments in the fight to save the navy yard as announced today were:

1—"Navy Day," set for Tuesday, will be observed as "Save the Navy Yard Day" by the Association for the Maintenance of the Boston Navy Yard.

2—Mayor James M. Curley has announced that he stands ready to make a personal trip to Washington to protest the move to abolish the yard.

3—A mass meeting is to be held tomorrow at 2 o'clock at Parkman bandstand, Boston Common, under the auspices of the Massachusetts Women's Improvement League, to voice protest against closing the yard.

4—Appointment of Mayor Curley as president of the Navy Yard protest committee by Pres. Henry L. Harriman, of the Chamber of Commerce.

5—Announcement by the South End Post, American Legion and the Suffolk Workingmen's Club of Roxbury that they were joining in the drive to save the Navy Yard.

On Tuesday, when thousands of persons are expected to visit and expect the navy yard, a petition will be circulated. Girls will mingle with the crowd in and outside the yard soliciting signatures which are to be forwarded to Secretary Adams.

It is expected that more than 10,000 persons will gather on the Common tomorrow to take part in the protest meeting.

MAYOR CALLS RELIEF MEETING FOR FRIDAY

Mayor Curley set next Friday at 1 p. m., as the time, and the auditorium of the City Club as the place, for a meeting of business men, labor leaders, churchmen and financiers to find ways to prevent greater unemployment this winter. William Phillips, chairman of the state unemployment commission, asked that such a meeting be held.

TRANSCRIPT 10/24/31

Mayor Curley Says Death Is "an Irreparable Loss"

"The death of Charles Francis Dorr Belden, director of the Boston Public Library, which office he assumed in June, 1917, and in which he made a national reputation as a man of letters, enlists my deepest sympathy and sorrow," said Mayor Curley, on learning of Mr. Belden's death.

"Mr. Belden, after receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws from Harvard University Law School, and the honorary degree of Master of Arts from Harvard University, engaged in the most important character of library endeavor. He was secretary of the law faculty of Harvard Law School, assistant librarian of the Harvard Law Library, librarian of the Social Law Library and librarian of the Massachusetts State Library for a period of eight years prior to assuming the directorate of the Boston Public Library.

"In each of these important offices he served with ability, fidelity and rendered the highest character of library administration. As chairman of the Free Public Library of Massachusetts for twenty-two years, his service was of an exceptional character. A learned scholar, a man of deepest culture who gave the best years of his life to the interests of the Boston Public Library has passed to his reward. The field of letters, scholarship and library administration in the United States has suffered an irreparable loss."

TRAVELER 10/24/31

Strang[illegible] "Thank You"

People' Editor:

Mayor Curley's letter of acceptance to Manager Dunn for Aimee McPherson Hutton's unemployment fund check was the strangest "thank you" I ever read. Many will hesitate to give to the "fund" now for fear of public ridicule. When the Salvation Army has a drive for funds the workers call out, "Your donation, large or small, will be greatly appreciated."

Saugus. L. M. HALL.

Services in Roxbury for Joseph M. Walsh

Mayor Curley and members of his family, city officials and many friends in fraternal and business circles attended funeral services for Joseph M. Walsh, a cousin of the mayor, in St. Patrick's Church in Roxbury this morning. The solemn high mass of requiem was preceded by funeral services held at the home of John J. Curley, former city treasurer and brother of the mayor, in Winthrop street, Roxbury. Mr. Walsh died Thursday at the City Hospital.

The celebrant of the mass was Rev. William J. Casey, pastor of the church. Rev. Edward F. O'Bryn and the Rev. Donald Whalen, both curates at the church acted as deacon and sub-deacon.

Burial was in Old Calvary Cemetery, where prayers were recited by Father Casey.

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MAYOR CURLEY IS READY TO PROTEST

Would Go to Washington on Navy Yard Matter

Mayor Curley yesterday announced he would be pleased to accept an assignment to go to Washington and protest against any closing of the Charlestown Navy Yard, if it becomes necessary.

At a recent meeting at the Boston Chamber of Commerce to protest against the closing of the yard, according to a letter to the Mayor from Pres Henry I. Harriman, it was the unanimous desire of those present that Mayor Curley serve on such a committee. Mr Harriman in his letter yesterday said he would inform the Mayor if any definite word making the trip necessary, is received.

The subject of the closing of the Boston Navy Yard is still under consideration by Washington Naval authorities and no decision has been made one way or the other according to a telegram received yesterday afternoon by Pres Henry I. Harriman of the Boston Chamber of Commerce from Secretary of the Navy Charles Francis Adams.

Under Consideration

The telegram, sent in answer to one from President Harriman asking for the status of the Charlestown Navy Yard was as follows: "The subject is still under consideration but there is no occasion for a visit at the present time."

Secretary Adams' reference to the visit to Washington, advising against it at the present time, was in answer to the statement of President Harriman that the committee appointed and headed by him had decided to go to Washington at once and present its case before Secretary Adams and President Hoover.

Immediately upon receipt of the telegram yesterday afternoon, President Harriman sent a copy of it to each member of the committee. The committee included; Gov Ely, Mayor Curley, Senator Walsh, Congressmen John J. Douglass, Edith Nourse Rogers and Charles L. Underhill, Richard S. Teeling, Steven C. Garrity and John F. Cantwell.

Special Committee

An order filed yesterday by Representative Thomas F. Carroll of Revere with the clerk of the House of Representatives provides for the appointment of a special committee of six Representatives to go to Washington and confer with President Hoover and the Secretary of the Navy with a view to prevent the closing of the Charlestown Navy Yard.

ROXBURY TO HAVE NEW HEALTH UNIT

City Buys Land $25,000 Under Assessment

The seventh health unit established under the George Robert White Fund will be erected on land bought by the city at 147 to 181 Vernon st, 66 to 72 Hampshire st and vacant land on Whittier st, Roxbury, in Ward 9, City Councilor Richard Gleason is credited with a successful campaign to have the unit located in his ward.

The property covers an area two-thirds as great as that of Madison Park, Roxbury. It was assessed for $83,600. Purchase was made directly from the owners for $58,000, or $25,000 less than the assessed valuation. In addition, taxes due the city upon the property amounted to $12,000, which under the law was paid to the city.

There is a total area of 77,856 square feet with dwellings, which are to be demolished in January in preparation for building.

Plans for the new building are to be prepared by Coolidge, Shepley, Bulfinch & Abbott, architects, who drew the plans for the six health units already established.

The trustees of the White Fund hope to have the seventh unit completed by Dec 1, 1932.

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AIMEE AND MAYOR

To the Editor of The Herald:

If some Bostonians have felt a degree of envy of the proud city by the Hudson because of its possession of a mayor so debonair, so attractive and so intelligent that feeling has been completely dissipated by the revelation in our mayor's office of the embodiment of knightly courtesy surpassing that of a Sidney or a Chandos.

While, it is well known, our mayor has no religious affiliations with the Church of the Four Square Gospel and belongs to a different communion, which, to be sure, has always been conspicuous for its generous interest in all forms of endeavor for "saving souls," nevertheless, his own great enthusiasm, kindly air and constant encouragement toward the Garden meetings, and the lady who conducted them, must have aroused the admiration of even the most apathetic among us.

And, finally, the graciousness with which was acknowledged that lady's gift to the city's fund for the needy and the delicately inspired refusal to contrast that modest sum with the magnificent donations of other Christian bodies make the revelation complete.

WALTER BATES FARR.

Boston, Oct [illegible]

GAVE BEST YEARS OF HIS LIFE TO CITY, SAYS MAYOR

Mayor Curley today said:

"The death of Charles Francis Dorr Belden, director of the Boston Public Library, which office he assumed in June, 1917, and in which he has made a national reputation as a man of letters, enlists my deepest sympathy and sorrow.

"Mr Belden, after receiving the degree of bachelor of laws from the Harvard University Law School and the honorary degree of master of arts from Harvard University, engaged in the most important character of library endeavor.

"He was secretary of the law faculty of Harvard Law School, assistant librarian of the Harvard Law Library; librarian of the Social Law Library and librarian of the Massachusetts State Library for a period of eight years prior to assuminng the directorate of the Boston Public Library. In each of these important offices he served with ability, fidelity and rendered the highest character of library administration.

"As chairman of the Free Public Library Commission of Massachusetts for a period of 22 years his service was of an exceptional character.

"A learned scholar, a man of deepest culture, who gave the best years of his life to the interests of the Boston Public Library, has passed to his reward.

"The field of letters, scholarship and library administration in the United States has suffered an irreparable loss."

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READY

One organization in Boston is ready for the winter, with all that it portends, and that is the Volunteers of America. It sends along that cheering news to Mayor Curley, through its colonel, Mrs. Walter Duncan.

This devoted woman says that her useful grays are co-operating with the city's public welfare officials, especially in the obtaining of many thousand pairs of shoes for poor boys and girls—a custom the Volunteers have carried out for 12 years. That is not all of the organizations good work, of course.

Theodora House, the Volunteers' home for widowed and deserted mothers with their children, will again be available this winter, Mrs. Duncan said, and arrangements were being completed to care for the needy in their homes, making it unnecessary to establish bread lines or soup kitchens.

The visible marks of extreme poverty will not be seen if the Volunteers of America can help it. But let us not forget that, as a people, we have a duty to perform in providing this organization with the "sinews of war." It cannot support itself.

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CITY HEADS TO PAY FOR OWN PHONES

$15,000 Yearly Saved for Needy Through Mayor's Order

As a measure of municipal economy to provide additional funds for the relief of the poor and the jobless this winter, Mayor Curley will discontinue the long-established custom at City Hall of granting telephone service in the homes of important public officials at the expense of the city.

WILL PAY FOR OWN

Leading the parade, the Mayor himself will pay for the telephone at his home at 350 Jaimaicaway. But over 100 other officials, including police captains and fire chiefs, will be forced to follow his example, or their telephones will be removed, according to arrangements which the Mayor is making with the telephone company.

It is estimated that the city will save about $15,000 in telephone charges, which can be turned over to the needy of the city during the winter months, while the high-salaried public officials either pay for their own service or go without telephones.

In order to net this saving, however, the Mayor proposes to remove the telephones in the schoolhouses of the city and install public pay stations in each school, outside the offices of the headmasters, where their assistants or secretaries can answer incoming calls and drop nickels on the outgoing messages.

In those schools where the masters have no assistants, an extension from the pay station would be carried to the master's desk for incoming calls. Instead of costing the city money, the pay stations would provide a source of revenue for the city, as do the public telephones in the corridors of City Hall and other municipal buildings.

FOR ROXBURY HEALTH UNIT

City Gets Bargain in Crossing District

Mayor Curley last night announced the purchase of 77,856 square feet of land bounded by Hampshire, Vernon, Whittier and Downing streets, in the Roxbury Crossing district, for $58,000 as a site for the city's seventh health unit. The price was $25,000 less than the assessed valuation, and besides the owners were required to pay over to the city from the sale price, $12,000 in accumulated back taxes.

THANK MAYOR FOR CITY STABLES SALE

Trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital last night transmitted to Mayor Curley their appreciation of his efforts in effecting the sale of the North Grove street city stables to the hospital at a price of $148,800.

The hospital authorities protested against the existence of the stables at their front door as a nuisance to the patients and the staff, and, despite strong opposition, the Mayor put through the sale in the City Council at $6 a foot for 24,800 square feet of land.

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AIMEE SAYS SHE'S 'THROUGH WITH CHARITY'

While a gently sarcastic fling at her recent revival here was speeding its way to her through the mails yesterday, Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, opening a "week-end convention" at Providence, announced she was "through with charity."

Declaring she will not donate any more receipts to relief funds, Aimee said:

"Why don't they ask the organized churches or the prize fighters for a percentage of their takings?"

A telegram from the Huttons to Mayor Curley, intimating the New York papers were stating the donation below the correct figure, brought a letter of thanks from the mayor for their $941.43 check for the Boston jobless, $32.41 of the sum representing half the rivival profits.

"Apparently during the depression," the mayor wrote, "the law of compensation, under which the good are rewarded and the evil punished, has been disregarded, if we may judge by the receipts."

Her husband criticized Mayor Curley as "just a politician" and said the Boston chief executive didn't give him and his wife a "square deal."

"After demanding half of the proceeds for the poor," Hutton asserted, "Curley failed to appear at any of the meetings at the Garden."

Donate Part of Salaries to Relief Fund

All employes of the city of Boston will be asked to contribute a fixed percentage of their salaries for the relief of the jobless. Collection of these contributions will start Nov. 1, and, it is estimated, they will amount to $5000 a month.

Resolutions to this effect were adopted yesterday at a meeting held by Mayor Curley for all department heads. The suggestion was made by John Hynes, assistant city clerk.

Mayor Curley immediately drew up the following outline, fixing the percentage of contributions:

FIX CONTRIBUTIONS

All city employes receiving less than $2100 a year will be asked to give 1 per cent of their salary.

Those receiving from $2100 to $2900 will be asked to give 2 per cent. Those receiving more than $3000 will be expected to contribute 3 per cent.

The contributions, it was voted, will be entirely voluntary. They will not be expected from employes who are supporting unemployed members of their own families.

Mayor Curley appointed a committee of three to take charge of the collections and co-operate in the management of the funds with Edward Willey, treasurer of the overseers of public welfare. The committee includes City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan, Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox and City Auditor Rupert S. Carven.

In accordance with a suggestion of William Phillips, chairman of the state unemployment commission, the mayor announced he will call a meeting at the City Club next week of leaders of churches, business organizations and industrial companies to discuss emergency measures for giving instant employment to Boston jobless.

Mayor Curley also announced he will ask leaders of the Central Labor Union to suggest to the workers in the city building department that they adopt a schedule of two five-hour shifts, instead of the present single eight-hour shift.

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Mayor Goes In for Electric Welding



First in Hub! Mayor J. M Curley, left, as he operated the electric welder on steel frame of new pediatric building at Boston City Hospital. The structure will be first in Boston area with complete electric construction. Prominent architects and engineers witnessed ceremony.

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MAYOR RAPS AIMEE AGAIN

Says Law of Compensation Apparently Disregarded

In an exchange of correspondence between Mayor Curley and Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, the Mayor last night took another wallop at the evangelist's collection for the unemployed at her recent Boston Garden revival meetings.

"Apparently during the depression," read the Mayor's letter last night to the evangelist at Providence, "the law of compensation under which the good are rewarded and the evil are punished, has been disregarded if we may judge by the receipts."

Mr. and Mrs. Hutton had wired to the Mayor a protest stating that the New York newspapers stated that only $32 instead of over $900 was donated to Boston's jobless by the evangelist's audiences here. "Kindly send us acknowledgment on your official stationery," read the wire received last night by the Mayor.

Replying, he wrote, "The management of Boston Garden forwarded to me, under date of Oct. 21, a check in the sum of $941.43 of which, the communication stated, $909.02 was for the collection to aid the unemployed of Boston and $32.41 was the contribution from your profits of the Boston revival."

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CITY EMPLOYES TO AID JOBLESS

Curley to Ask Them to Donate Percentage of Pay Weekly

METHODS OF PHELAN BOARD ATTACKED

City officials and employes will be invited by Mayor Curley to make weekly contributions to the unemployment relief fund.

Employes whose annual salaries do not exceed $2100 will be asked to donate a minimum of 1 per cent. weekly; those earning up to $2900 will be requested to contribute 2 per cent. and of officials drawing in excess of $2900 will be asked to give 3 per cent.

Adoption by department heads yesterday, at a conference with Mayor Curley, of the proposal presented by John E. Hynes, assistant city clerk, is expected to result in the creation of a special fund by all persons listed on the city and county payrolls.

The contributions will be held in a special fund to be administered by the overseers of the public welfare. The custodians will include Edmund L. Dolan, city treasurer; Rupert S. Carven, city auditor, and Charles J. Fox, budget commissioner.

The decision to ask all municipal workers to create such a fund preceded sharp attacks on the state unemployment commission established by ex-Gov. Allen and the serving of notice on Chairman William Phillips of Gov. Ely's commission that adherence to the methods of the organization headed by James J. Phelan would be unproductive of results.

Mayor Curley joined with John J. Shields, director of the municipal employment bureau, in characterizing the commission of last year as a publicity seeking group which made no tangible contribution to the relief of unemployment.

Phillips stressed the fact that his commission is not a job finding body because it is without funds to create an organization. He emphasized that his purpose is to co-ordinate the activities of all Boston agencies to accomplish definite results.

In acceding to the suggestion of Mr. Phillips, the mayor announced that he would not only invite representatives of religious organizations, financial groups, and large employers to a conference next week, but that he would endeavor to "force a showdown to see if large employers will agree to retain their present personnel and to enlarge it by the adoption of the stagger system or some similar method."

"There has been altogether too much wage cutting," said the mayor, "and there has been far too wide resort to the practice of dispensing with the services of veteran employes and replacing them with cheaper workers."

In reply to the declaration of Phillips that he is ambitious to create a feeling of good will, the mayor said:

"If that good will can be crystallized into jobs, it will be wonderful, but if it will only amount to talk, we've had too much of that."

Shields charged that the Allen commission did nothing except attract publicity. He added that the commission dumped all applicants for jobs on the municipal employment bureau and that no effort was made to find or create jobs.

AIMEE ADDRESSES 7000 IN PROVIDENCE

Curley Hits Scanty Amount Boston's Jobless Received

[Special Dispatch to The Herald]

PROVIDENCE, Oct. 23—Aimee McPherson Hutton, most spectacular of women evangelists, came back here to preach before an audience of 7000 in her old home town tonight, and received a letter from Mayor Curley of Boston which straightened "erroneous" reports of the aid she gave Boston's unemployed and which at the same time contained a barbed reference to the insufficient rwards of the "good."

Aimee, who had sent a telegraphic appeal to Mayor Curley for official refutation of stories in New York newspapers that her contribution to Boston's unemployment relief fund from her recent campaign there was only $32, received the following reply from Mayor Curley.

The management of the Boston Garden forwarded to me, under date of Oct. 21, a check in the sum of $941.43 of which, the communication stated, $909.02 was from the collection to aid the unemployed and $32.41 was the contribution from your profits of the Boston revival.

Apparently, during the depression the law of compensation under which the good are rewarded and the evil are punished has, if we may judge by receipts, been disregarded.

In simple settings with no attempt to stage one of the "shows" that featured her Boston revival, Mrs. McPherson preached tonight in the Auditorium on "The Middle Cross." Eighteen years ago she conducted revivals here in a small tent.

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NEW SOLARIUM OPENED FOR MEN AT L-ST BATHS

After some weeks of organization, the new solarium in the men's section of the L st baths on the Strandway, South Boston, was officially opened yesterday morning.

The equipment includes special glass which permits the free transmission of ultra-violet rays, hot and cold showers, cots and chairs for sun bathing, a large anteroom with locker equipment, an elaborate ventilation system, and both gas and steam heating facilities.

The solarium will be opened at 8 every morning, and will remain at the disposal of the public all day. The charges for the use of the sunroom are 25 cents for two hours.

'STILL CONSIDERING CLOSING OF YARD'

Adams Replies to Telegram From Harriman

Closing of the Boston navy yard is "still under consideration," Secretary of the Navy Charles Francis Adams yesterday declared in a telegram to Henry I. Harriman, president of the Boston Chamber of Commerce.

Harriman sent a telegram to Adams asking for the status of the Boston yard, and announcing that the committee appointed and headed by him had decided to go at once to Washington and present its case to the secretary and to President Hoover. He received the following reply:

The subject is still under consideration but there is no occcasion for a visit at the present time.

Copies of the reply were submitted by Harriman to each member of the committee, which includes Gov. Ely, Mayor Curley, Senator David I. Walsh, Representatives John J. Douglas, Charles L. Underhill and Edith Nourse Rogers and Richard S. Teeling, Steven C. Garrity and John F. Cantwell.

Until a definite announcement by President Hoover dispels the doubt about the future of the yard, the chamber protest and the activities of other organizations in behalf of the yard will be continued, it was apparent yesterday. Mayor Curley, when asked to serve on the committee, expressed willingness to accompany any delegation to Washington to voice his personal protest to the President against closing the yard.

A protest meeting at the Parkman bandstand tomorrow from 2 to 5 P. M. will be held under auspices of the Massachusetts Women's Improvement League. Among those announced as speakers are Mayor Curley and Representatives John W. McCormack and Douglas. Mrs. Mary E. Gallagher of Allston, league president, will preside.

LAND IS PURCHASED FOR 7TH WHITE UNIT

Health Centre to Be Built in Roxbury Crossing Area

The seventh George Robert White health unit, financed by the income of the White fund, will be erected immediately in the Roxbury Crossing district.

Announcement was made by the trustees of the fund yesterday, of the purchase for $58,000, of three properties at Vernon, Hampshire, Whittier and Downing streets, comprising 77,856 square feet of land. The assessed valuation of the properties is $83,060.

From the purchase price $12,000 was deducted and paid to City Treasurer Dolan to meet unpaid tax bills. In the consummation of the deal, the transaction was completed directly with the owners.

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INSISTS ON BIG CUT IN FIRE RATES

Mayor Asks Slash of 25 Per Cent by Underwriters

Reduction of 25 per cent in the fire insurance rates charged in this city was demanded last night by Mayor Curley in a letter to the Boston Board of Fire Underwriters, protesting that there is no way to justify its failure to cut the rate, in view of the millions of dollars spent by the city for improved fire protection.

LATEST EQUIPMENT

Not only has the city installed the high-pressure water system, the two-platoon system of firemen, the motorization of the entire fire-fighting equipment and the expanded fire prevention bureau, but it has adopted every recommendation made by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, the Mayor protested.

Beginning Nov. 30, Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin will re-open the Fire College for the Boston fire department at Bulfinch street, which was closed during the last administration, the Mayor announced.

Lectures for the men attending the college will be delivered by officials of the public utility corporations, the National Fire Protective Association, the Factory Mutual Association, and experts from the city building, water and law departments.

Previous to the opening of the fire college, the department's new book of fire rules, together with the standard methods of preliminary operation at fires, will be published for the benefit of the members of the department.

In his letter to Secretary James Davis, of the Boston Board of Underwriters, at 40 Broad street, demanding an immediate cut in the rates here, the Mayor stated:

Has Class A Rating

"In conformity with the recommendations of the National Board of Fire Underwriters made in 1925, Boston was given a Class A rating and at that time, Boston was the only city in the United States to receive such a rating. Since 1925 every recommendation made by the national board has been complied with. The fire department of Boston has expended millions of dollars in order to provide the highest possible measure of fire protection to both life and property.

"As Mayor of Boston I was justified in assuming that a compliance with every recommendation made by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, would speedily result in a revision downward of the fire insurance rates, but to the present no such action has been taken.

"There is no wey to justify a failure to reduce rates, in view of the expenditures made by the city, and the protection from loss by fire which has been made possible as a consequence of the exceptional character of work conducted by the city in the interests of life and property.

"A reduction at this time of at least 25 per cent in fire insurance rates is justified by the facts as here presented, and I sincerely trust you will direct the attention of the Boston Board of Fire Underwriters to the justice of the claim as made by me in this communication, making the new schedule of rates operative at the earliest possible date."

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City Officials Oppose Curley Plan To Cut off Home Telephone Service

Mayor Curley's plan to discontinue telephone service at city expense in the homes of municipal department heads and supervisors was answered yesterday by many of the officials concerned with assertions that the move would bring decreased efficiency in the various departments.

Although loath to discuss the affair publicly yesterday and precipitate a controversy with the mayor, department heads privately agreed that Mayor Curley's proposal, although possibly saving $15,000 annually, was a false economy move which would lower the standard of service now maintained.

Eleven telephones are listed to fire department officials who may be called at any time in the event of a serious blaze. 29 of the city-paid telephones are in the homes of division commanders and other police officials, and engineers and foremen of the public works department, subject to emergency calls to work, share 21 telephones, it was pointed out.

Six employes of the park department, including Commissioner William P. Long, enjoy residential telephone service at city expense. The question was raised of Mayor Curley's authority to order Police Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman to discontinue the 29 telephones of police officers who are officially on continuous duty.

Despite the undercurrent of opposition to the plan, Mayor Curley declared yesterday that the proposal, outlined in communications to department heads Friday, will be carried out with discontinuance of city payment for the telephones after Jan. 1.

CURLEY URGES GROUP TO FIGHT FOR YARD

Mayor Curley yesterday advised Henry I. Harriman, president of the chamber of commerce, to discount reassuring reports from Washington and to organize a committee to confer with President Hoover about the future of the navy yard.

"The assurances from public officals," said the mayor, "and from political leaders, while pleasing, are to me not altogether convincing and, in my opinion, it would be advisable to have the committee as appointed wait on the President and the secretary of the navy, wiring at once for an appointment.

"As far as I am concerned, I stand ready to go at any time and I am quite certain the other men selected by you to serve on the committee, in view of the importance of keeping the Boston navy yard open, feel likewise."

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CURLEY TO SPEED NAVY YARD PROTEST

Urges Appointment With Hoover on Closing

Reassuring reports of Washington's attitude toward the Charlestown Navy Yard and statements that the yard will not be closed, do not convince Mayor Curley that Boston should mark time in its protest.

In a letter yesterday to Pres Henry I. Harriman of the Chamber of Commerce, Mayor Curley deems it advisable that an appointment with President Hoover should be telegraphed for and a committee then go to Washington.

The Mayor's letter to Mr Harriman is:

"The assurances from public officials and from political leaders, while pleasing, are to me not altogether convincing and, in my opinion, it would be advisable to have the committee as appointed wait on the President of the United States and the Secretary of the Navy, wiring at once for an appointment.

"As far as I am concerned I stand ready to go at any time, and I am quite certain the other men selected by you to serve upon the committee, in view of the importance of keeping the Boston Navy Yard open, feel likewise."

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MASS MEETING TO FIGHT NAVY YARD CLOSING

Mayor and Other Leaders to Voice Protest on Boston Common Today

Mayor Curley, members of Congress, business men and women, and leaders of veterans and other organizations will voice their protest against the closing of the Boston navy yard at a mass meeting today at the Parkman bandstand, Boston Common.

The fight for maintenance of the yard, which began when announcement came from Washington that it was to be closed, is being continued without letup, despite reports from the capital that the navy yard is not to be closed.

APPEAL TO HOOVER URGED

The mayor has sent a letter to Henry I. Harriman, president of the Boston Chamber of Commerce in which he said that assurances from public officials and political leaders concerning the closing of the yard are "not altogether convincing."

The mayor urged that the committee appointed by Harriman to wait on the President and Secretary Adams to take up the matter, be sent to the capital.

"As far as I am concerned," the mayor wrote, "I stand ready to go at any time, and I am quite certain the other men selected by you to serve upon the committee, in view of the importance of keeping the Boston Navy Yard open, feel likewise."

Richard S. Teeling, president of the Association for Maintenance of the Navy Yard, Inc., who has been directing the fight to prevent the shutting down of the oldest navy yard in the country, said to the Boston Sunday Advertiser:

"I believe the authorities at Washington should hesitate before making the Boston yard a sacrifice on the altar of national economy."

WOMEN CONDUCT MEETING.

The meeting on the Common today is to be held under the auspices of the Massachusetts Women's Improvement League, Mrs. Mary E. Gallagher, president of the league, will preside.

Besides Mayor Curley the speakers at the meeting today, 2:30 to 5 p. m. will include Congressman John J. Douglass of East Boston, who came from Washington to attend; Congressman John W. McCormack, Mr. Teeling, and leaders of veterans and other organizations.

Women members of the improvement league will mingle with the great throng expected, with petitions of protest against the closing of the yard.

STATE WIDE BACKING

Messages from cities and towns throughout the state to those in charge of the drive to save the navy yard state they are behind the movement four square.

Mayor Curley and Mr. Teeling are to broadcast onthe subject over WAAB, WNAC, WEEI and WLOE tomorrow night at 6:30. Additional petitions sent out for the purpose of obtaining 50,000 more names are reported as being rapidly filled.

TEELING'S STATEMENT

Teeling said to a Boston Sunday Advertiser reporter yesterday:

"We are very much pleased at the reply of Secretary of the Navy Adams to the telegram sent him by President Henry I. Harriman of the Chamber of Commerce, representing the commercial, business and manufacturing interests not only of metropolitan Boston but of New England. It is apparent that somebody in Washington, without any definiteness of information, gave to the newspapers word that the Boston navy yard is to be continued.

Burnham-Manning Post, 1105, V. F. W., of Watertown, adopted a resolution, which will be sent to President Hoover, Secretary of the Navy Adams and the entire Massachusetts delegation in Congress, protesting the proposed closing of the yard.

CURLEY CALLS FOR 25 P. C. CUT IN FIRE RATES

Justified by High Rating of Department, Millions for Protection

Demand that the board of fire underwriters reduce fire insurance rates by at least 25 per cent was made by Mayor Curley late yesterday in a letter to James Davis, secretary of the board.

Pointing out that the local fire department has been rated as Class A by the National Board of Fire Underwriters since 1925 and that millions of dollars have been expended to protect life and property from the danger of fire, the mayor urged that rates be reduced at the earliest possible date.

His communication to Secretary Davis reads:

"I am this day in receipt of the report of the fire commissioner of the City of Boston, and the chiefs of that department. The report outlines the work of the department and its present commissioner.

ONLY CLASS A CITY

"In conformity with the recommendations of the National Board of Fire Underwriters made in the year 1925, Boston was given a Class A rating and at that time Boston was the only city in the United States to receive such rating.

"Since 1925 every recommendation made by the National Board of Fire Underwriters has been complied with. The Fire Department of Boston has expended millions of dollars in order to provide the highest possible measure of fire protection to both life and property.

"As mayor of Boston I was justified in assuming that a compliance with every recommendation made by the National Board of Fire Underwriters would speedily result in a revision downward of the fire insurance rates but to the present no such action has been taken.

CUT IS JUSTIFIED

"There is no way in which to justify a failure to reduce rates in view of the expenditures made by the city and the protection from loss of fire which has been made possible as a consequence of the exceptional character of work conducted by the city in the interests of life and property.

"A reduction at this time of at least 25 per cent in fire insurance rates is justified by the facts as here presented, and I sincerely trust you will direct the attention of the Boston Board of Fire Underwriters to the justice of the claim as made by me in this communication, making the new schedule of rates operative at the earliest possible date."

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WILL PRESENT FLAGS TO CURLEY SCHOOL

The Women's Patriotic and Civic League will present an American flag, a state flag and 40 schoolroom flags to the new Mary E. Curley school in Jamaica Plain, next Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary MacNeill, president of the league, will present the state flag in honor of Mayor Curley; Miss Margaret Ford will present the American flag in memory of Mrs. Curley; Mrs. Charles S. Sullivan, wife of Judge Sullivan, will present a flag in memory of James M. Curley, Jr., and Miss Margaret O'Connell will present a flag in memory of Dorothea Curley. Mayor Curley, his daughter, Miss Mary Curley, members of the school committee, Superintendent of Schools Jeremiah E. Burke and Alexander Sullivan, business manager of the school committee, will attend the exercises.

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CURLEY MAKES PLEA FOR FIRE RATES CUT

Calls For Reduction of at Least 25 Percent—Survey Reveals Work Done by Department

A reduction of at least 25 percent in fire insurance rates in Boston is justified, according to Mayor James M. Curley, who yesterday addressed a letter to Secretary James David of the Boston Board of Fire Underwriters, asking such action.

Mayor Curley sent with the letter an exhaustive report of Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin and chiefs of the Fire Department, outlining the department's equipment to fight fires and keep down fire losses.

"In conformity with the recommendations of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, made in the year 1925, Boston was given a class A rating and at that time Boston was the only city in the United States to receive such rating," the Mayor wrote. "Since 1925 every recommendation made by the National Board of Fire Underwriters has been complied with. The Fire Department of Boston has expended millions of dollars in order to provide the highest possible measure of fire protection to both life and property.

No Revision of Rates

"As Mayor of Boston I was justified in assuming that a compliance with every recommendation made by the National Board of Fire Underwriters would speedily result in a revision downward of the fire insurance rates, but to the present no such action has been taken. There is no way in which to justify a failure to reduce rates, in view of the expenditures made by the city and the protection from loss by fire which has been made possible as a consequence of the exceptional character of work conducted by the city in the interests of life and property.

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Fire Commissioner McLaughlin's summary follows:

"No city in the country has been more liberal in providing protection for the lives and property of its citizens. The city has spared no expense in its progressive methods of affording this protection.

"The many expensive improvements brought about were accomplished by the taxing of our citizens and should have resulted in a reduction of fire insurance rates. Instead, this condition has resulted in a double tax, a tax for protection and a high rate of fire insurance.

Should Be Major Factor

"Due to the classification by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, the fact that the Fire Department has complied with all recommendations made by this board should prove a major factor in bringing about a reduction in the fire insurance rates.

Complete motorization with the most modern and efficient apparatus, the fact fire companies are plentiful, well distributed and adequately manned, under able leadership with increased protection along our waterfront, should be an incentive for reducing our high fire insurance rates.

"Drilling and training of officers and men have brought personnel up to a high state of perfection as is reflected in their work at fires.

"A well balanced and efficiently supervised maintenance division is perfectly capable of caring for the needs of the department.

"It is a question if any of the large insurance interests in this country maintain such an elaborate inspection service as the fire prevention division connected with this department. These several above mentioned factors should be another reason for lower insurance rates.

"Fire alarm signal drill well housed, well located is surpassed, fully meets all requirements and the results of recommendations of many years by the National Board of Fire Underwriters. It seems incredible that such an improvement did not result in a reduction of rates.

Apparatus Relocated

"Modern fire stations, new fire companies and relocation of fire apparatus merit consideration.

"Boston has an ample water supply and exceeds the requirements made by the national board. Installation of an extensive high pressure system has failed to bring the promised reduction in fire insurance rates.

"Amendments to the building laws and adoption of a modern zoning law have materially aided in reducing and controlling fire hazards.

"Safety of the public from fire in places of assembly has been properly cared for.

"Better private fire protection afforded by the adoption of a standpipe law.

"Considerable improvements have been made in the possible conflagration areas.

"The benefits of street widening from a fire point of view are very important.

"Traffic signal system with adoption of parking rules has facilitated the operation of the Fire Department.

"The administration and working operations of this department have been noticeably efficient.

"If due consideration had been given to the above mentioned improvements a reduction of the fire insurance rates would surely have followed."

Fire Loss Here Reduced

Under the head of "fire loss", the report declared that even with the serious business depression for over a long period of time, the fire loss in the city of Boston has been considerably reduced, and it is claimed, that is due "to the methods and operations of the Fire Department and its auxiliaries."

The report charges that the present method of adjusting the fire loss per capita, like that of the automobile accident insurance, is radically unjust, and in order to properly ascertain the fire loss in Boston, the amount burned should be adjusted in proportion to the amount of burnable value.

Accompanying the report, Mayor Curley announced that he was informed that the Fire College, which has not operated for several years, will reopen Nov 30 and continue until June 1. There are 250 eligible officers to be divided into classes of approximately 40 men as a working basis for each class.

Officials of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, Boston Consolidated Gas Co, Factory Mutual Association, Water, Building and Law Departments of the City of Boston and various chemists have been invited to lecture at the college.

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Curley Gives Two Months' Phone Grace

Two months of "grace" were granted city heads yesterday by Mayor Curley on his edict to pay for their own telephones or remove them.

Starting January 1, he said, no more bills for telephones in the homes of officials, including fire chiefs and police captains, will be paid for by the city.

He said he intended to pay for his own in his Jamaicaway home, and felt that the others of his official family could pay for theirs so that $15,000 a year may be turned over to relief work.

Police Ordered to Pay Poll Taxes

Supplementing Mayor Curley's recent order that all city employes must pay their poll taxes promptly, Police Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman yesterday directed members of his department to be prepared to produce their poll tax receipts at roll call Wednesday morning.

Department regulations provide that charges may be preferred against any policeman failing to pay the tax.

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the spectacle. It was unsportsmanlike. Actually, beads of sweat stood out on Fred's forehead. His legs trembled.

The hisses continued. So did Fred. The tension was unbearable.

Being an observer of, and no participant in, the terrible situation, I kept my mouth shut. I had never met the fellow. There was no personal element in the situation as far as I was concerned. But here, if ever, was a man at bay. I suffered with him.

Imperceptibly the tension lessened. The hisses were dying down. Burrell's voice was beginning to be heard. The hisses died away. The Man-At-Bay had proved his mettle.

I could watch the expressions on the face of the audience. Incredulity at Burrell's temerity was the first flash across that collective face. Then a bit of the shame all men feel at a mass attack on one man. Sheepishness swept over that hundred-headed face.

The Tide Turns

Then the audience-face became separate entities again.

One looked at the other and looked away. Fred was talking on. I haven't the slightest idea what he was saying. That he was saying anything was an unbelievable thing to me.

Interest flashed over the faces. Then incredulity, again. Then admiration, grudgingly at first. Then open and frank.

Color came back into Burrell's face. The nervousness passed, somewhat, from his attitude. But not the tension. He continued to talk.

And when he finished, that cold, hostile audience cheered him and applauded him.

A game guy had faced a hundred-headed antagonist and made him like it. And that hundred-headed antagonist, no whit won over to Burrell's candidacy as the returns showed on election day, cheered a game guy who could take it, give it, and make 'em like it.

Joe McGrath's "Bullet"

Amusing are many of the incidents that occur in political campaigns. There was the time when President Joe McGrath of the City Council became a marked man, marked for a bullet—in the opinion of a very worried Dorchester lady, a friend and supporter of Joe's.

Joe had held a rally at Savin Hill avenue and Dorchester avenue in his last campaign for the Council. The rally was just over when the lady rushed up to Joe and said, "Mr. McGrath. I must speak to you. You are in grave danger. There's a man looking for you to put a bullet in you. Mrs. Grady overheard him say so. Oh, Mr. McGrath you had better be careful. He was a tough looking man, a gangster, and he's going to shoot you. I rushed up to tell you as soon as I could. Please be careful, Mr. McGrath."

"Well," says Joe to himself, "This is a new one. Wonder who wants to bump me off? Maybe there's something in it at that. Boy, I guess I'd better find out what this is all about."



When Al Smith talked "New Yorkese" he got the attention of his Boston audience.

Joe admits he was a bit uneasy about the incident. No one up to that time had wanted to bump the genial Joe off. Most people like Joe too well to wish him ill.

However, Joe took a walk with two or three of his workers down to Mrs. Grady's house, not forgetting to look about him as he went, no matter how much he laughed at the fears of his companions.

Joe Gets a Laugh

"Mrs. Grady," he said when he answered Joe's ring, "who is this man who's going to put a bullet in me? Mrs. Lynch told me you overheard . . ." That's as far as Joe got with his inquiries.

"Oh, Mr. McGrath," burst out Mrs. Grady. "You must watch yourself. While you were speaking tonight a man came up to where I was standing in the crowd and said to the man next to me, 'What do you think of Joe McGrath? Do you think he'd make a good man for us in the Council?' And the man beside me said, 'A good man, is it? I'll tell you what I think of Joe McGrath, I'm going to give him a bullet!' Be careful, Mr. McGrath, he was a very hard looking character and he's going to shoot you."

Well, Mrs. Grady got the surprise of her life that night when Joe and his companions burst out in loud peals of laughter. When they had recovered their composure, Joe said:

"Mrs. Grady, it was very good of you to warn me of the threat against my life. But I'm afraid you don't understand political slang. You know, 'I'll give him a bullet' in political slang means, 'I'll give him my vote,' Mrs. Grady. He isn't going to shoot me, Mrs. Grady. He's going to vote for me. Don't you see?"

Well, Mrs. Grady "saw" after her surprise wore off. But to this day Mrs. Grady isn't at all sure that the man wasn't a gangster and meant to shoot a nice, clean hole in Joe McGrath.

They Didn't See

The radio has brought an aid and a hindrance into the lives of aspirants for political office.

There was the Al Smith incident at the Arena where the "raddio" did him a disservice. It seems that Al, in the course of his speech, mentioned the name of his opponent, Mr. Hoover. Instantly there was a loud "booing" which went right into the mike and out over the air where it was heard by hundreds of thousands of persons listening into the nation-wide hookup.

Many radio listeners were later heard to say that Al showed very bad taste in encouraging any such outburst against his opponent. What the radio listeners didn't see, or hear, was Al's authoritative, and a bit angry, stilling of that "boo" by a gesture of his hand.

There was the occasion when a Boston audience started to walk out on Al, of all people!

Al was Governor of New York at the time and he was here to speak in behalf of the Democratic candidates.

When they asked Al to come here and address the Boston voters somebody with less sense than politicians are supposed to have, primed Al wrong. They told him that the Boston electorate was very highbrow and that he should guide himself accordingly.

A Surprise Speaker

Came the big night that had been widely advertised. Mechanics building was crowded to hear the famous Al Smith. They were hanging from the rafters expecting the political show of all time.

Al was introduced and immediately launched into one of the most scholarly speeches on the science of government ever heard here. He had been going about 15 minutes when one by one the audience began to walk out on him. A puzzled look came over the face of the speaker. This had never happened to him before. He couldn't understand it.

One of the pols on the platform sensed the situation. With admirable presence of mind he walked over to Al and whispered: "You're talking over their heads! They don't know what you are talking about! Give 'em something hot. Get down to earth. Talk to them in the lingo of the sidewalks of New York!"

"I catch on," replied Al.

Throwing his prepared speech to the winds, Al launched into an extemporaneous talk on the issues of the day in his best New Yorkese. Those who were on their way out returned to their seats and no others went out. They warmed up to the speaker and cheered his every sally against the Republicans and nearly took the roof off when he finished.

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What Hub Politicians Do When They Hear 'Bronx Cheer'

By Charles P. Haven

Heckling candidates for political office reaches its fine flower in England, as is seen in the present national campaign. Sir Oswald Mosley, wealthy Socialist and seceder from the Laborites, received a pummeling the other night when he attempted to address a gathering in Birmingham. Although Sir Oswald had a retired prize fighter for a bodyguard, several socks arrived where sent as he was escaping from a hostile crowd of 15,000 which he had attempted to address.

Ramsay MacDonald, J. H. Thomas, even, have not been immune from attack in the present campaign. Everything short of manslaughter seems to go in British political campaigns.

Boston takes her politics with a grain of humor. To date there have been no casualties among those who have sought public office hereabouts. But there have been occasions when candidates needed police wedges to get them from the platforms upon which they had spoken to their cars.

Intimidation of speakers is not unknown in Boston campaigns. There probably isn't a politician hereabouts who has faced as many hostile crowds in his campaigns as the present Mayor. But so dominant a personality does he possess, so fearless a front does he offer to a threatening and hostile crowd he has always been able to escape from the tightest pinches unhurt. Usually he turns the hostility of a gathering to his own advantage.

Take the famous "milk bottle robbers and doormat thieves" speech. That was an occasion for fear and trembling. Had any other candidate one can call to mind tried the stunt, 10 to one he would have been beaten up.

The speech was made in the bailiwick of the enemy and James Michael not only escaped unhurt, but turned the occasion to his own advantage, much to the surprise of his partisans, who loudly condemned his act as bad tactics. Of course, Mr. Curley can be successfully charged with bad tactics in almost every campaign he enters, including the last one, but so great is his driving power that he overcomes his self-made handicaps before the votes are cast.

It was at the corner of Broadway and Dorchester street, in South Boston, one night during the threecornered Congressional campaign waged by the then Congressman Joseph F. O'Connell, the late William S. McNary and Mr. Curley. Mr. O'Connell had had two terms in Congress and wanted another. Mr. McNary and Mr. Curley were fighting for the seat, also.

In the Enemy's Country

South Boston was Mr. McNary's stamping ground and the young upstart Curley was regarded as an interloper, as he was always regarded until he became bigger than the machine that, before his monkeywrench wrecked it, controlled Boston democracy. Feeling was running high as it has a way of running in South Boston during political campaigns. South Boston voters take their politics perhaps more seriously than those of any other section of the city, with the possible exception of the North and West Ends.

That was the situation the night my brave James Michael appeared at the corner of Broadway and Dorchester street to tell McNary's followers why they should throw their candidate overboard and send him to Congress, the nomination being tantamount to election.

Well, the crowd of McNary followers was gathered in the murk of the flaring torchlights that in those days were necessary to augument the dim arc lights of the day. Candidates for minor offices had spoken and the night was in its shank when into the situation barged the dynamic James Michael. Johnnie Baldwin was watching from the sidelines and one could hear him say, "Well, here's where the fireworks begin."

Politeness is seldom a part of Boston political campaigns, even if they do stop short of the violence that marks their British equivalents. Murmurs had been heard among the, shall we say, less polite? in the crowd of what would happen to that So-and-So from Roxbury if he tried to speak that night.

Up Steps the Interloper

James M. Curley cannot appear in any gathering without his personal presence being actually felt. He is that startlingly vivid personal type whose presence electrifies any neighborhood he happens to be in. David I. Walsh is also of the type.

James Michael (and, by the way, he is called James Michael more commonly than Mr. Curley, Jim, the Mayor) strode into the crowd and climbed into one of the automobiles parked there. Catcalls, Bronx cheers, shouts and threats greeted his appearance. He began to speak. So great did the din become that even his organ voice was drowned out.

One could see his trigger temper rising. Suddenly he abandoned his speech entirely and then came forth the immortal Phillipic. The exact words were drowned out by the shouting, but above the din could be heard:

"You doormat thieves! You milk bottle robbers! You can't stop the landslide to Curley. I don't want your votes. I want the support only of the respectable citizens of South Boston. Go and tell your candidate that Curley cannot be intimidated by thugs and gangsters."

This was defiance in the enemys territory with a vengence. For a breath it looked as if the rougher element of the crowd would countercharge. But the candidate's attack had been so bold that the hecklers were thrown off their balance.

Cheers for the bravery of the lone defender of every man's right to address his fellows in a political campaign turned the tide in his favor. He proceeded with his speech and his campaign to victory.



A bullet isn't always a deadly thing, according to Joe McGrath of the City Council.

A Stirring Scene

An instance of a candidate's facing down a hostile audience, somewhat similar to the immortal "milk bottle thieves" rally, occurred during one of Fred J. Burrell's campaigns for State Treasurer. Fred had left the office through resignation under pressure and was campaigning to reassume it.

The place was a suburban Town Hall—a very icebox of opposition to Fred's aspiration. The audience was composed ofthe so-called silk-stocking element of the Republican party and had watched Fred with a somewhat fishy eye as he sat on the platform waiting his turn to address them.

His turn came. Nervously, sensing the intense opposition of his audience, Fred walked down to the edge of the platform. The presiding officer had introduced him with what seemed an air of apology. And, believe it or not, that highly respectable, well-dressed and ordinarily polite audience greeted the speaker with the finest blast of hisses heard in the entire campaign. None there was so poor as to do him justice.

Fred turned white. He started to speak. His voice could scarcely be heard above the hisses. He stood his ground. I, sitting in the front row, held my breath. I thought the fellow was going to collapse in my lap.

The hisses continued. And so did Fred. I never saw such determination under such harrowing circumstances. It was pathetic. I felt a little ill at

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FOREIGN HORSEMEN IN UNIFORM VISIT CITY HALL



HORSEMEN FROM MANY LANDS CALLING ON MAYOR CURLEY
In Front, Left to Right—William E. Chamberlain, Mayor Curley and Adnah Neyhart

There was a military air to the office of Mayor Curley today when he received uniformed horsemen representing England, France, Ireland, Canada and the United States. The world famous equestrians will compete at the Boston horse show. The horsemen were accompanied by Adnah Neyhart.

Mayor Curley entertained the Irish horsemen with a story of ordering dinner in Paris, using Gaelic, and failing to get a response from the head waiter and corps of assistants. He invited the horsemen to call on him after the horse show and he will present each with blackthorn sticks.

HERALD 10/26/31

ATTACK PROPOSED NAVY YARD CLOSING

Cong. Douglass Calls for Security Pact for Workers

A protest to President Hoover for a security pact for the workers of the Boston navy yard instead of a security pact for France was voiced yesterday afternoon by Congressman John J. Douglass of East Boston, speaker at a mass meeting for the preservation of the yard held at the Parkman bandstand on Boston Common.

Congressman Douglass said he did not believe Secretary of Navy Adams desired the navy yard closed, and that if the recommendation came from him he had been compelled by higher authority to make it.

James H. Brennan, member of the Governor's council, branded the proposal to close the navy yard as an almost royal action on the part of President Hoover and Secretary Adams, and recommended that if it is consummated, both should be removed from office.

Confidence that the protest would be heeded, and that New England's voice of indignation has been so strong that there will not be another move to close the yard for at least 25 years, was the opinion of Malcolm E. Nichols, former mayor of Boston.

Other speakers were Richard S. Teeling, president of the Association for Maintenance of the Boston navy yard; Augustus Seaver, president of the Suffolk County Workingmen's Club, and Mrs. Mary E. Gallagher, president of the Massachusetts Women's Improvement League, under the auspices of which the mass meeting was held.

DEMANDS REDUCTION IN INSURANCE RATES

Curley Stresses Ditsinction Held by Boston

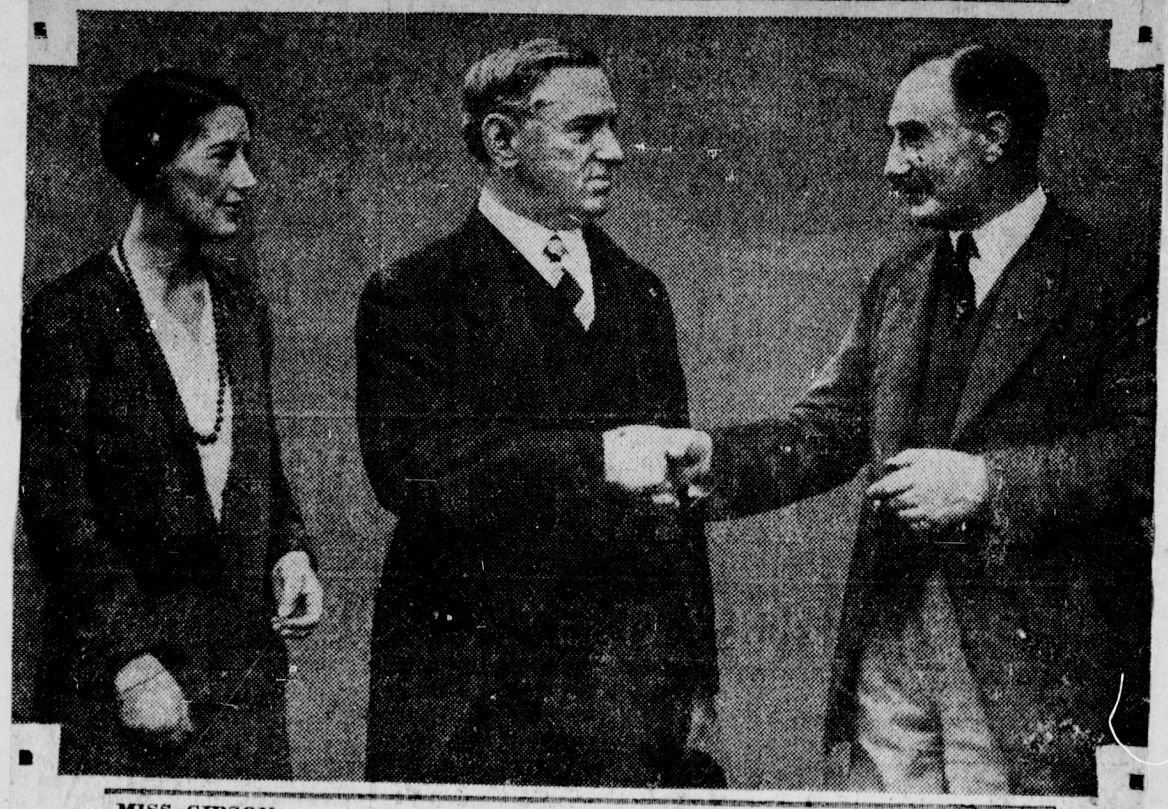
Mayor Curley yesterday demanded a reduction of at least 25 per cent. in the existing schedule of Boston insurance rates.

In justification he stressed the expenditure of millions of dollars to comply with all recommendations of the national board of fire underwriters, emphasized the distinction held by Boston in 1925 as the only large American city of class A insurance rating, and called the attention of the local board of underwriters to the unwarranted failure of the companies to give Boston the benefit in reduced rates of the admitted increase in fire department efficiency.

"There is no way in which to justify a failure to reduce rates,' declared the mayor, "in view of the expenditures made by the city and the protection from loss by fire which has been made possible as a consequence of the exceptional character of work conducted by the city in the interests of life and property."

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MAYOR BIDS FRIEND "BON-VOYAGE"



MISS GIBSON MAYOR CURLEY MR. GIBSON

Many notables and business folk of Boston were included on the passenger list of the S. S. Britannic, which left Commonwealth pier yesterday, for a trip to Europe and foreign ports. Among Boston folk were Herbert M. Gibson, who left with his daughter Margery, for a tour of European ports. He is shown above shaking hands with Mayor James M. Curley, who was on hand to bid the couple a "bon-voyage." (Staff photo.)

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Curley Given Time to Finish Lunch On Britannic After 'All Ashore' Signal

Mayor Curley finished his coffee while longshoremen manned the gangplank of the White Star liner Britannic yesterday at Commonwealth pier, South Boston. He was at lunch with friends when the liner's whistle boomed "all ashore." Visitors hurried to the pier with the exception of the mayor who had been urged to take his time by a company official. Fully 10 minutes elapsed before the mayor came over the plank.

The mayor visited the ship to bid farewell to H. M. Gibson, superintendent of the Manchester Ship Canal; P. G. Foley, consul for the Irish Free State at Boston, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Bridges Adams, who accompanied the Shakesperian Players to Boston. The mayor was accompanied by E. L. Dolan, city treasurer. Commenting on the visit of Mr. Gibson, the mayor said Boston has for three-quarters of a century exported great quantities of raw cotton to Manchester, Eng., and the canal represented by Mr. Gibson has played an important part in delivery of the staple, thus proving itself a transportation link of enormous utility between Boston and textile centres of England.

Mr. Gibson expressed confidence that the coalition government would go back by a substantial margin and that England is coming out all right "now we are off the pound sterling." Mr. Gibson was accompanied by his daughter, Margery.

That the Shakespearian Players would make good on their present tour was expressed by W. Bridges Adams, who based his forecast on the recent opening in this city. He is returning with Mrs. Adams and will supervise construction of the new theatre at Stratford-on-Avon which will be completed next April. He will return to the United States by mid-winter.

P. G. Foley sailed to Dublin on leave and expects to be back in February. During his absence the consulate of the Irish Free State at Boston will be in charge of P. J. Daly from the New York consulate. J. F. O'Connell, former congressman, was at the ship to say bon voyage to Mr. Foley.

F. O. Bezner, one of the three founders of the Hudson Motor Company and president of the Cape Ann Development Corporation, sailed for England and will spend several weeks at his estate in Wilton, near London. Mr. Bezner owns the Red Wing Airplane Company at Croyden, England, and is interested in many industries in this country and abroad. He said the automotive business is picking up and expects in a relatively short time the big manufacturers will increase output materially and thereby benefit allied industries.

Maj. Yutaka Hirota, assistant military attache at the Japanese legation at Washington, who also sailed, admitted he had been called home for military duty and would journey through Europe and Siberia to Tokio.

Fireboats gave a water display as the liner backed into the stream after having embarked 200 passengers and loaded 100 tons of express cargo.

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Mayor Bids Adieu to European Friends



MAYOR SEES FRIENDS OFF TO EUROPE

Mayor Curley went to Commonwealth Pier yesterday to see off three of his English and Irish friends. Left to right, Miss Marjorie Gibson of Manchester, England; Mayor Curley, Mrs. James M. Newell of Commonwealth avenue; and Herbert M. Gibson, chief superintendent of the Manchester Ship Canal Co., of England.

Mayor Curley was at Commonwealth Pier, yesterday, to see three of his friends off to Europe on board the White Star liner, Britannic. They were Herbert M. Gibson, chief superintendent of the Manchester Ship Canal Company, who sailed for home with his daughter, Miss Margery Gibson; W. Bridges Adams, director of the Stratford-on-Avon Festival Company, who returned with Mrs. Bridges after successfully launching the company on its American tour, and P. G. Foley, consul for the Irish Free State, who is returning to Dublin for a vacation, the first he has had in three years. The Mayor, with City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan, lunched with his friends aboard ship.

P. G. Foley, consul for the Irish Free State at Boston, received a warm farewell from the Mayor and from former Congressman Joseph F. O'Connell, who was at the pier to see him off.

Others sailing included Major Yutaka Hirota, assistant miltary attache of the Japanese embassy at Washington, who has been recalled for military duty; Rabbi William Drazin of the Crawford street synagogue, who will spend a year in travel in Europe and Palestine, and Frederick O. Bezner of Gloucester, head of the Cape Ann Development Corporation, who sailed to do some grouse shooting at Wilton, England. Mr. Bezner is one of the founders of the Hudson Motor Company.

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CITY-PAID TELEPHONES

Many citizens, until Mayor Curley announced on Saturday his determination to end the practice, probably did not know that the city paid the home telephone bills of a group of department executives. The custom very likely originated many years ago when a telephone was considered a luxury and few families felt able to afford its convenience. In this light it was reasonable for the city to defray an unusual expense which it might ask of its employes. But nowadays, when telephone connection is regarded as a domestic necessity, like heat, light and water, such special consideration is not warranted.

Arguments for the continuance of the subsidy appear to be based on the assertion that some officials of the fire, public works, and park departments are available for emergency services during twenty-four hours of the day. This is very probably true, and yet the same condition exists in regard to the more important executives of many private enterprises. Hospitals, railroads, and newspapers, for instance, frequently have occasion to telephone employes at their homes, but it is doubtful that many of them consider this sufficient reason to pay for residential telephones. The abolition of this practice on the part of the city seems an excellent way to save $15,000 yearly.

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CORNERSTONE OF THEATRE LAID

Curley Congratulates Paramount-Publix on New Building

With dignitaries of the state and city present the corner stone of the New Paramount-Publix Theater, occupying the site of the old Adams House, was laid today, with Mayor Curley presiding.

The theatre, the 161st in the chain of Publix theatres in New England, will accommodate 2300 persons and according to Publix officials will be one of the most up-to-date in New England. It is expected to be completed by 1932.

Mayor Curley in his brief address congratulated the Paramount-Publix Corporation for its courage in starting a project of this nature in the face of present day conditions.

"The latest edifice of the Paramount-Publix chain represents not only a contribution in affording amusement for the people of Boston, but it also affords and will continue to afford work for many hundreds of Boston men in its construction," the mayor said.

"If the business men of the city and of Massachusetts weer to follow the example of the Paramount-Publix Corporation, then the present unemployment situation would have disappeared and prosperity and happiness would take its place," the mayor said.

Some 150 representatives of Publix houses throughout New England, in addition to a large crowd of passersby, were on hand for the exercises. In the steel box deposited in the cornerstone were copies of Boston newspapers, with a photograph of the mayor, dated and indorsed by the mayor. Also pictures of M. J. Mullin, general manager of the Publix theatres in New England, an dother officials reposed in the cornerstone.

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MAYOR AND AIMEE

To the Editor of The Herald:

Because Mayor James Curley is a bit wiser and more far-seeing than the average person, and because he perhaps does not believe in the sincerity of Mrs. Aimee McPherson Hutton, he is insulted by the so-called normal in "Our Mail Bag." To me, the most terrible "business" in life is insincerity to God. From the many scandals in the past, and the always mercenary actions of Aimee, it is only the "stupid" who are taken in by her "act." Mayor Curley should be praised for seeing through "Our Aimee."

MADELEINE WALKER.

Boston, Oct. 24.

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Petitions to Be Sent to Hoover on Navy Yard



SIGNING PETITION OF PROTEST

Mayor Curley signing a petition which will be sent to Washington with thousands of other names in protest against the closing of the Charlestown navy yard. Left to right, Dr. Charles E. Mackey, Mrs. Mary E. Gallagher, Congressman John W. McCormack and Mayor Curley.

Plans for obtaining hundreds of thousands of names throughout Boston and New England for petitions which will be sent directly to President Hoover and Secretary of the Navy Adams in protest against the proposed closing of Charlestown navy yard were made yesterday at a mass meeting on Boston Common under the auspices of the Massachusetts Women's Improvement League.

Despite a storm which broke just as the meeting opened, a large number gathered around the Parkman Bandstand while speakers urged them to join the fight to save the yard. Mrs. Mary E. Gallagher of Allston, president of the organization, presided.

All of the speakers declared that it was apparent that the danger of the loss of the yard had not yet passed despite the expression of confidence "that everything would be all right," made by Louis K. Liggett, Republican national committeeman, who hinted the President would not close the navy yard, as he left the White House last week.

Mrs. Gallagher declared that eight other women's clubs had joined with her organization, and it was their intention to canvass their neighborhoods with members seeking names for the protest petitions.

President Richard S. Teeling of the Association for the Maintenance of the Boston Navy Yard, declared in his address that the Charlestown yard meant a payroll of between $3,500,000 and $4,000,000 annually to one of the most skilled and loyal group of workers in the world.

He declared the battle for the preservation of the yard was one of self preservation for all of the best of New England ideals, business and labor interests.

Other speakers included former Mayor Malcom E. Nichols, Dr. Charles E. Mackey, John J. Douglass, Augustus Seaver and James H. Brennan of Charlestown, who represented Governor Ely. Mayor Curley was unable to attend the mass meeting, but sent a message to the gathering urging all to carry on the fight, and then joined Mrs. Gallagher later to aid in getting the petition work under way.

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CURLEY AT SERVICES FOR JOSEPH M. WALSH

Funeral services for Joseph M. Walsh, cousin of Mayor Curley, were held at St. Patrick's Church, Roxbury, yesterday. Solemn high mass of requiem was sung. The pastor of St. Patrick's the Rev. W. J. Casey, was celebrant; the Rev. F. O'Bryan, deacon, and the Rev. Donald Whalen, sub-deacon.

Whalen's mass was sung, with Miss Catherine Connolly as organist. Joseph Ecker, Thomas A. Quinn and J. J. Flynn were the soloists. Burial was in Old Calvary cemetery.

Pallbearers were W. O. Butler, Charles S. Murphy, Edward W. Foye, W. J. Bolman, Stanton R. White and Maurice Brody. The ushers were J. Philip O'Connell, Henry S. Brennan, J. A. F. O'Neil and J. B. Hynes. Delegations from the Tammany Club, Shawmut council, K. of C., and the Mission Choral Society were present. Mayor Curley and family and John Curley and family, Thomas Curley, City Treasurer Edmund M. Dolan, Frank Brennan and many city officials were among the mourners that filled the church.

Globe 10/26/31

NAVY YARD CLOSING SCORED AT MEETING

Crowd on Boston Common Hears Plan Attacked

Representatives of civic organizations, political groups, labor organizations and hundreds of citizens attended an enthusiastic mass meeting on Boston Common yesterday afternoon to protest the closing of the Charlestown Navy Yard. The gathering was under the auspices of the Massachusetts Women's Improvement League, with the league president, Mrs Mary E. Gallagher of Allston, presiding.

Each speaker scored the proposal to close the Boston Navy Yard. Ex-Mayor Malcolm Nichols stated that the voice of protest echoed so strong not only in New England, but from all parts of the country, that he doubted if anything more relative to closing the Boston yard would be heard again for the next 25 years.

Augustave Seaver, president of the Suffolk County Workingmen's Council, stated that his organization was unanimouslsy opposed to the proposed closing on the grounds it would not effect an economy, but throw more than a thousand out of employment.

Chairman Joseph J. Hurley of the Boston School Committee, stated that he voiced the hitherto inarticulate murmur of the school children of Boston against the dismantling of their cherished Navy Yard.

Congressman John J. Douglas of East Boston and Congressman John McCormack of South Boston voiced their opposition to the closing and pledged their efforts to prevent such action.

James Brennan of Charlestown, member of the Governor's Council, stated that the protest did away with all party lines, as shown by the speakers. He stated that the President and the Secretary of the Navy, in "robbing" Boston of the Navy Yard, were striking at one of the most important institutions in New England.

Other speakers were Dr Alice W. McKane of Roxbury and Dr Charles E. Mackey of South Boston.

The presiding officer, Mrs Mary Gallagher, stated that the Bricklayers' Union had sent in 1000 signatures of members protesting the closing. Mayor James M. Curley was scheduled to speak during the meeting, but before he arrived the downpour of rain caused the meeting to adjourn.

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BRITANNIC SAILS WITH NOTABLE GROUP

Irish Free State Consul and Theatre Leader Bidden Goodby by Curley



MAJ YUTAKA HIROTA

Down wind, at the height of a sudden squall that sent the water scurrying out in a great curtain, city fireboats deployed about the low-lying motorship Britannic yesterday afternoon, sending up streams of water and roaring out a farewell to Herbert M. Gibson, chief superintendent of the Manchester (England) Ship Canal



MISS MARJORIE GIBSON

Company; P. G. Foley, Irish Free State Consul in Boston, and W. Bridges Adams, director of the Stratford-Upon-Avon Festival Company.

While the White Star liner—the world's largest British motorship—was tied up at Commonwealth Pier, taking cargo and passengers for Queenstown and Liverpool, Mayor Curley and City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan went aboard to pay their bon voyage to the Gibson-Foley-Adams party and to have luncheon with them and Capt F. F. Summers, skipper of the ship.

The Britannic was due to sail at 2 o'clock, but the gangplank was held 10 minutes for the Mayor's party to finish its luncheon.

Shoot Up Water

As the vessel backed slowly into the stream, fireboats 44 and 47 escorted her in the maneuver, their soaring columns of water shooting hundreds of feet as the squall turned the channel into a momentary sea of running foam.

To the delight of the throngs that crowded the "porch" of Commonwealth Pier and the end of the Boston Fish Pier, a perfect 90-degree rainbow formed on one of the flying curtains of water from the fireboats, so near that it almost could be touched.

Mr Gibson and his daughter, Marjorie, are returning to Manchester with a warm feeling for the people



FREDERICK C. BEZNER

of the United States. They came over several weeks ago with the party of Lord Mayor Titt of Manchester and went on a sightseeing tour of the Middle West after the Lord Mayor returned.

It is an optimistic outlook that Mr Gibson has for business this Winter.

"Better times," he said, "are on the way, judging from conditions in England when I left. Shipping business especially is picking up."

Mr Foley has been the consul in Boston for the Irish Free State since May, 1929, and he is returning to his home in Dublin for a vacation that will last until February. During his absence the Boston post will be filled by P. J. Daley, consul for New York.

CURLEY PLANS PLEA TO EMPLOYERS HERE

To Speak Friday in Appeal to Keep Men at Work

On Friday, at 1 p m, Mayor Curley will address a gathering of business, financial and labor leaders in the auditorium of Boston City Club in the aid of unemployment. The Mayor plans to ask those present to go ahead and have done at this time all work that is possible at their plants and business establishments.

He will also call upon those at the gathering not to reduce wages or, if they have, to cease doing so, and, moreover, to outline plans guaranteeing uninterrupted work during the Winter months.

CURLEY LAYS CORNER STONE

Traffic Held Up at Site of New Theatre

Traffic in Washington st on the downtown side of Boylston st was held up in a long line for a few minutes soon after 2 o'clock this afternoon while Mayor Curley laid the cornerstone of the new Paramount Theatre, now in course of construction on Washington st on the site of the former Adams House.

A crowd covered the sidewalk and flowed out into the middle of Washington st so that the street was impassable for the northbound flow of vehicles. But this was not for long and the Mayor made only a brief speech and then did a quick but efficient job of plastering the cement on the small cornerstone.

Two uniformed ushers, each bearing a large American flag, stood on either side of Mayor Curley, while with head bared he made a brief address, the burden of which was that if other big businesses would start either new construction of improvements simlar to the program of the Paramount-Publix Theatre Corporation the existing depression would fade away.

The Mayor congratulated the officials of the Paramount-Publix Theatres present. Mayor Curley was joshed good-naturedly while he laid on the cement.

The new motion picture house will be a modern structure with every convenience for the patrons. It will be ready about next February. The auditorium and balcony will seat about 1900.

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CAMPAIGN SPOTLIGHT ON CURLEY

Ely Backers Active Against Mayor's Candidates

With only 10 days left before Boston voters go to the polls to elect three school committeemen and a new City Council of 22 members out of a field of 105 candidates, Mayor Curley commands the spotlight in the city-wide campaign.

Though not a candidate himself and officially inactive in the contests, the election will virtually mark the completion of the first half of his administration and in a way determine his future course in the next two years.

ENEMIES WORKING

His political enemies of years' standing have organized a drive to elect opposition candidates that will leave him without a favorable majority in the school committee and the City Council to approve his municipal programme for the coming year, or two.

With authority over the expenditure of $20,000,000 each year out of the tax rate, the organization of the school committee is of commanding interest to whatever mayor may be sitting at City Hall, as is the organization of the Council, with authority to pass or block the chief executive's programme.

For this reason, the prevailing issue offered by most of the candidates at the rallies throughout the city is whether or not each candidate has the support of the Mayor, pointing out that an elected Councillor is helpless to obtain improvements for his home ward without mayoral approval.

Ely Men Active

Because of his reported intention to run for Governor next year, the Mayor's candidates for the Council are receiving little support from the Ely workers in the various wards. On the other hand many of them have been faced with strong opponents.

Representative Leo B. Birmingham of Brighton, one of the strongest supporters of Governor Ely, has been travelling through Roxbury in opposition to one of the administration candidates, and a vigorous drive is being made in Dorchester against the administration men.

Disciples of former Representative Martin M. Lomasney, West End chieftain, and staunch supporter of Governor Ely, are staging the bitterest campaign in the recent history of the city to command another seat in the Council, that of Ward 14, Dorchester.

Slate of Two Candidates

The large majority of the voters of this Franklin Park area formerly voted in the Lomasney stronghold in the West End. And the gauge of battle has been drawn in Blue Hill avenue by two old West Enders, Councillor Israel Ruby and Charles Kaplan, with Maurice M. Goldman battling in between.

In the school committee clash, Chairman Joseph J. Hurley, seeking re-election, has walked off with the support of both sides, having obtained the public sanction of the Mayor, as well as the head of the Public School Association ticket.

The Mayor's organization throughout the city is likewise working for the election to the school committee of former Representative Maurice J. Tobin, brother of Jimmy Tobin of the Mayor's secretarial staff at City Hall.

Like the Mayor, Chairman Frank A. Goodwin of the finance commission has picked a slate of but two candidates, leaving the third open to satisfy the demands of the other 10 aspirants for the school board.

Goodman announced last night that this week he would start active campaigning for his two candidates selected by the Boston School League, Henry J. Sullivan of South Boston and Dr. William B. Burns of Dorchester, both of whom obtained active campaign experience in the school committee contest of two years ago.

For the place which will be vacated by Committeeman Francis C. Gray, the P. S. A. is staging a strong campaign for the election of Frederick J. Deane of the Back Bay, who, with Henry A. Sasserno, of West Roxbury, has been placed on the ticket with Chairman Hurley.

In his campaign for re-election to the school committee, Dr. Joseph V. Lyons of South Boston is conducting an independent fight with strong support in various sections of the city, which gave him a winning vote four years ago.

Dr. Charles E. Mackey, also of South Boston, is conducting an extremely busy campaign throughout the city, attracting to his band wagon large groups of supporters, including organizations known to be friendly as well as opposed to the Mayor.

Another South Boston candidate who has been making a strong personal drive for a place on the committee is Attorney Timothy J. Mulcahy, who with Edward J. Curley and John F. Monahan of Dorchester and Edmund Burke of the Back Bay form the independents threatening to break into the activities of the various slates.

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MAYOR ATTENDS CRONIN RITES

Funeral services for John H. Cronin, for 20 years sexton of St. Thomas' [illegible] Plain, were conducted at St. Andrews Church, his home parish, today. Mayor Curley and other city and county officials attended.

The deceased was the father of John F. Cronin, clerk of the Supreme Judicial court. He was prominent in St. Thomas parish for years and was president of the St. Vincent de Paul Society for 53 years.

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PHARMACEUTICAL MEETING HERE

Mayor Curley Will Address Trade Conference Banquet Tomorrow

Mayor James M. Curley will be the guest of honor and principal speaker at the annual banquet tomorrow evening of the fall trade conference of the Massachusetts Pharaceutical association at the Hotel Statler.

Martin E. Adamo is general chairman of the event, and Joseph M. Sisson, newly elected president of the association will preside at the business sessions which open tomorrow at 1 P. M.

The conference is sponsored by the Boston association of Retail Druggists, of which Joseph A. Martin, president, is committee representative. Others who will serve on the various committees are: James F. Finneran, in charge of the business conference and fellowship, former president of both organizations, Crank East, Benjamin Friedman, Louis Sumberg, Carl C. Harring and Charles Davis. Mrs. Joseph A. Martin heads the committee in charge of entertainment for the women.

American 10/27/31

THEATERS AID BOSTON NEEDY

An extra performance will be put on in every motion picture theater in the city on Friday, November 20 and the proceeds will be turned over to the Boston Public Welfare Department for the relief of the poor and unemployed this winter.

Arrangements for the performances were made yesterday at a conference at City Hall between Mayor Curley and leaders of the motion picture industry here.

Present were J. J. McGuinness, Maurice Wolf, Harry McDonald, A. Somerby, Victor J. Morris and G. Ralph Branton.

Mayor Curley issued a special appeal to the people of Boston to attend the special performance at the theaters which will be held in addition to the regular performances.

"If everyone," said the mayor, "and particularly those who have refrained from attending a motion picture show and those who have never attended one, will take this opportunity to give the members of their families a treat by taking them to a motion picture show on this particular occasion, they will not only be bringing joy into the hearts of their own families but cheer and gladness into the hearts of those who have, during the last two years, been walking in the shadow of adversity."

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The Mayor made a brief speech and then quickly did a neat job of plastering the cement on the small corner stone. Two uniformed ushers, carrying American flags, stood on either side of the Mayor, while with head bared he spoke, pointing out that if other big business would start new construction and improvements similar to the program of the Paramount-Publix Theatre Corporation the existing depression would soon fade away.

The new motion picture house will be a modern structure with every convenience for the patrons. The auditorium and balcony will seat 1900. It is expected the work will be completed by February.

American 10/27/31

Mayor to Attend B. C. Freshie Banquet

Mayor Curley and former Congressman Joseph F. O'Connell will attend the annual Boston College freshman banquet, Nov. 10, it was announced by the Student Activities Council yesterday.

The banquet will climax a day of field games, which will be featured by a football game between the Press Club, composed of student correspondents, and the coaches of the varsity football team.

KIRSTEIN HAILS CURLEY AS ABLE TO LEAD STATE

Mayor Speaks at Jewish Philanthropies Gathering —Total Raised $321,980

Hailed by Louis E. Kirstein, president of the Associated Jewish Philanthropies, as a capable leader of a great city and as capable "to lead a great State," Mayor James M. Curley was introduced to the large gathering present at the third midday luncheon of the workers in the Associated campaign now being conducted.

The meeting, held at campaign headquarters, 36 Summer st, attracted one of the largest crowds to ever attend these meetings. The meeting was opened by Arthur C. Stern, one of the cochairmen of the campaign. Albert A. Ginsberg, president of the Beth Israel Hospital, stated that the campaign must not fail; that the teams must make a success of it, as the need is greater than ever by the 19 institutions and agencies of the Associated.

Henry Penn, campaign chairman, spoke of the great value found in the formation of the permanent organizations known as the Men's Business Council and the Women's Division, which, he said, are performing "yeoman service" in this campaign. Judge Jacob J. Kaplan of the Dorchester Court was another speaker.

Prior to the arrival of Mayor Curley, it was announced that the total reported by the teams today was $33,535, which makes the grand total to date $321,980, which is over one-half of the quota.

Interrupted By Applause

Louis E. Kirstein, president of the associated, introduced Mayor Curley, who was received amid great enthusiasm. The Mayor's address was frequently interrupted by outbursts of applause that greeted many of his references regarding the philanthropic work of the Jewish people, and particularly their work in the present crisis.

Mayor Curley said, in part:

"The Jewish race in America is to be congratulated on having in its midst that master mind, leading this most worthy of movements, Louis E. Kirstein.

"If every nationality had as little regard for the hotel at Deer Island as the Jewish people, we could save $500,000 a year. But the hotel has become so popular, that we have 150 more than usual at this time of the year, and one wnts to leave it. There are 12,080 patients in the City Hospital. This is more than we have ever had before. I have no doubt that one out of every 20 is there with self-inflicted wounds. Break an arm or a leg, slash an arm, to get food and a place to sleep.

Praises Jewish Race

"You come from a race that has demonstrated greater tenacity, and greater cohesion and greater patience, and a greater willingness to suffer for ideals than any race in the world. You are too proud to go out and stand on the street corner and ask for alms. But if you cannot get work, and it is against your tradition to beg, of course, then it is clearly the duty of every man in the race to go to the limit to help keep the honor and dignity of the race preserved.

"We have a courageous outlook, but how about the fellow who has no friends, no strength, no health, and no opportunities? The fellow that is reaching down there and asking you to give him a helping hand? Are you going to help him or are you going to step on his fingers? Are you going to come through? Make good now!"

Transcript 10/28/31

Mayor Appeals for Jewish Charities

Mayor Curley made a stirring appeal for support of the campaign of the Associated Jewish Philanthropies to raise $615,000 for the relief of the poor, in an address before several hundred workers, at the campaign headquarters, 36 Summer street, this afternoon. New contributions reported at the meeting amounted to $24,870, bringing the fund over the half-way mark, with a total of $313,315 already subscribed.

The mayor said that the real difficulty in the present drive "is that generous men and women have passed the exhaustion point in the matter of giving" and that many contributors in former years are themselves applicants for aid today. He told of one man whose income had been $25,000 annually for thirty years, begging him for a $20 a week job, as an illustration of the changes wrought by the economic depression.

"The situation is more serious than we imagine," the mayor said. "There are 40,000 persons in Boston who can't get work. The city will spend $7,000,000 in relief this year. We try to supply work, but we haven't evolved yet an economic system that will provide for the future employment of the men and women of America."

Mayor Curley declared that most of the patients in the city hospitals today were there because of self-inflicted wounds. "They will slash an arm or a leg to get a place where they can eat and sleep and be assured of care," he said. The mayor praised the Jewish people for providing care for those of their race in unfortunate circumstances.

"Let's give consideration to the fellow worse off than we are," he said. "You always have come through. Come through this time."

Mayor Curley was introduced by Louis E. Kirstein, president of the Associated Jewish Philanthropies, who characterized the mayor as "a great administrator and executive," qualified to go to higher office in the public service. Other speakers included Henry Penn, chairman of the campaign committee, and Judge Jacob J. Kaplan of the Roxbury District Court. Albert A. Ginzberg, president of Beth Israel Hospital, presided.

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CURLEY TENDERS GUEST LUNCHEON

Mayor Curley tendered a luncheon to Morris Gest, producer of "The Miracle" at the Boston City Club today. Thirty guests were present to greet Mr. Gest, among them Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, Rear Admiral Louis M. Nulton, commandant of the navy yard; Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox, R. Ritchie, manager for Mr. Gest; John E. Swift, supreme director of the Knights of Columbus; E. A. Filene, Richard Dunn, manager of Boston Garden, and Standish Wilcox, one of the mayor's secretaries.

Plans were discussed for a presentation of "The Miracle" at the Garden in March for the benefit of the unemployed. Mr. Gest made this offer a month ago.

RECORD 10/27/31



All Gone! Mayor James M. Curley is shown as he presented the last of his famous blackthorn stick to Commander Frederick L. Wheeler, blind, who is aiding drive to prevent the closing of the Navy Yard. Wonder what His Honor will present distinguished visitors now.

HERALD 10/27/31

THOUSANDS TO VISIT NAVY YARD TODAY

Sea Force to Be 'At Home' to Public—Schools Will Also Observe Day

With fighting ships in full dress colors, dress parades and addresses, Navy day will be celebrated today at the Boston navy yard, Charlestown.

Thousands more than usual are expected to visit the navy yard to inspect its ships and facilities because of an aroused public interest caused by the announcement of the yard's possible closing to meet government economy plans.

The navy will be "at home" to the public at the yard where guides will be provided to escort visitors about the yard and aboard ships to point out the work the navy is doing here.

Navy day will also be observed in schools where patriotic exercises will be held and the history and achievements of the navy are recalled.

In a proclamation issued yesterday, Mayor Curley urged citizens to display flags from homes and business establishments as he directed the flying of flags from all schools and municipal buildings.

AMERICAN 10/27/31

MEMBERS OF 13 GROUPS AT MEETING

'Land Grab' Attempt Charged by Lyons in Defense of Grove Hall Site

Members of 13 Dorchester civic organizations will go in a body today to the special City Council meeting, at which a hearing on a bond issue for the new Dorchester Girls' high school will be held, to protest against the site selected at Grove Hall.

This action results from a unanimous vote taken at the "town meeting" at the Mather school, Dorchester, last night, where School Committeeman Joseph B. Lyons bitterly attacked two Dorchester men, charging colossal "land grab" was behind their attempts to force the committee to build the new school in the Meeting House Hill section.

EXTRA COST CITED

The site for the $1,000,000 girls' high school has been a moot point for many months. One faction favors the Meeting House Hill site while the other favors location in the Grove Hall section.

Lyons bitterly assailed the motives of William J. Paul, moderator of last night's meeting, and Patrick J. Connolly, president of the Dorchester Board of Trade. He charged they were financially interested in "putting over" the Meeting House Hill site.

He pointed out that it would cost $400,000 to blast away the rock ledge on the Meeting House Hill site to prepare a foundation for a new school. On the other hand, he said, building could start immediately on the Grove Hall site.

THREATENED, HE SAYS

Lyons also charged that Connolly had threatened him with reprisals because of his opposition. He said the board of trade president had threatened to send 100,000 postcards to voters to defeat him.

He asserted the entire school committee was with him except Chairman Hurley, who deserted from the original plan to build in Grove Hall.

He insisted that if another site were selected, a year would be wasted in taking land and that it would be another year before construction would be started. He pointed out that Mayor Curley was aware of the situation and was interested in getting construction started immediately.

President Connolly explained from the floor that he could not enter any political controversy because of his duties as superintendent of the Uphams Corner post office branch. He insisted, however, that the interests of his five children allowed him to work for the new high school.

DENIES THREATS

He denied the reprisal threats credited to him by Lyons. Regarding the Meeting House Hill site, he pointed out that of the nine acres eight and one-half have been fully quarried. Only one-half acre was covered with rock formation, he said.

Paul, who sat directly behind Lyons during the latter's bitter attack from the platform, made no reply.

School Committee Chairman Joseph Hurley admitted that he had originally favored the Grove Hall site. He said this was more than three years ago when he understood that the need for accommodations was greater in Roxbury and slight in Dorchester.

He said that since that time the need has increased in Dorchester and he feels that the new girls' high school should be centrally located. For that reason he said, he turned to the Meeting House Hill site as being more favorable.

AMERICAN 10/27/31

MAYOR WIELDS TROWEL



MAYOR CURLEY

Mayor Curley took time off from his official duties yesterday to lay the corner stone for the new Paramount-Publix Theaters Corp. Paramount Theater, located on the site of the old Adams House. (Staff p' to.)

CURLEY SPEAKS AT EXERCISES

Mayor Curley spoke to about 4000 persons gathered in front of the site of the new Paramount-Publix "Paramount" Theater after the laying of the cornerstone late yesterday.

The mayor praised the officials of the Paramount-Publix Corporation for their courage in spending money and giving employment to hundreds at the present time. He stated that if every corporation in America would use the same methods depression would be a thing of the past. He was cheered to the echo.

Traffic was held up for nearly an hour during the ceremonies. Mayor Curley was humorously inclined as he took the trowel in hand and cemented a zinc box in the cornerstone—the box contained the front pages of all the Boston newspapers, autographed photographs of Mayor Curley, General Manager M. J. Mullin, Assistant General Manager Ralph Branton and District Manager Edward Zorn, also a photograph of the New York Paramount Theater.

FLAGS TO BE GIVEN MARY CURLEY SCHOOL

Women's Patriotic and Civic League To Present Them Tomorrow

United States and state flags for the Mary E. Curley school in Jamaica Plain and flags for each of the 40 classrooms will be presented as tributes to departed members of Mayor Curley's family and others to be similarly honored in exercises to be held at the school tomorrow morning by the Women's Patriotic and Civic League.

Mayor Curley, his daughter, Miss Mary Curley, and members of the school board will accept the flags for the school. Mrs. Mary MacNeill, president of the league, will present the large state school flag in honor of Mayor Curley, and Miss Margaret Ford will present the school American flag in memory of Mrs. Curley.

Flags will also be presented in memory of James M. Curley, Jr., by Mrs. Michael Sullivan, wife of Judge Sullivan; in memory of Donald Pidgeon, son of Mrs. Elizabeth W. Pidgeon of the school board, and of James McGrath, nephew of the schoolmaster of the Mary E. Curley school.

HERALD 10/27/31

CORNERSTONE LAID FOR NEW THEATRE

Mayor Curley presided yesterday at the laying of the cornerstone of the New Paramount-Publix Theatre being built on the site of the old Adams

The theatre, which will be completed early in 1932, is the 161st in the chain of Publix theatres in New England. It will seat 2300 persons. About 150 representatives of Publix theatres were present at the ceremony. Within the cornerstone were placed signed and dated photographs of Mayor Curley, M. J. Mullin, general manager of Publix theatres in New England, and other theatre officials.

WILL CELEBRATE IN SOUTH BOSTON

Because of the recent fire at the Perkins post clubhouse, the South Boston Citizens Association will hold its 50th anniversary celebration at the municipal building, Broadway, South Boston, on Thursday evening.

It is expected that Mayor Curley and Gov. Ely will address the gathering.

There will be other prominent speakers, including Congressman John McCormick, Dist.-Atty. William J. Foley, Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin, and Edward P. Barry, one of the past presidents of the organization.

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Lays Cornerstone of New Paramount Theatre



LAYING CORNERSTONE OF NEW PARAMOUNT THEATRE
Mayor Curley, at right, surrounded by officials of the Paramount-Publix Corporation as he officiated at ceremonies laying the cornerstone of the new Paramount Theatre, on Washington street.

Excitement ran riot on Washington street yesterday at 2 p. m. when Mayor Curley spoke to about 4000 persons gathered in front of the site of the new Paramount Publix "Paramount" Theatre, the occasion being the laying of the cornerstone of the latest addition to the Paramount holdings in New England. Mayor Curley minced no words when he praised the officials of the Paramount Publix Corporation for their bravery and nerve in present times in spending money and giving employment to hundreds. The Mayor stated that if every corporation in America would use the same stragetic methods, as displayed in the erection of the new Paramount Theatre here, depression would be a thing of the past. He was cheered to the echo.

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The New Paramount is slated to be the most luxurious in New England and of an entirely new type in entertainment palaces. The opening date has not been definitely set, but it is eagerly awaited by New England theatre-goers.

The ceremonies were under the direction of Division Publicity Director Harry Browning and District Publicity Director Harry Brown, Jr.

In the party of Publix officials attending the event were District Managers W. Spragg, Charles Branham, Myron Shellman, Harry Wasserman, Advertising Manager Francis McManus, Division Manager Edward Cuddy; Henry Taylor, manager Metropolitan Theatre; Albert Fowler, Jr., manager Uptown Theatre; George Laby, manager Olympia Theatre, and many others.

Representatives of every paper in Greater Boston were present.

CURLEY GIVES WHEELER BLACKTHORN STICK

Frederick L. Wheeler of Boston, well-known enthusiast for the navy and army, New England representative of the North Sea Mine Sweepers' Association and New England organizer of a campaign to prevent reduction of navy personnel, yesterday was honored by Mayor Curley.

The Mayor presented to Mr Wheeler, who is blind, a blackthorn stick from Ireland. Encircling the stick is a broad silver band, inscribed, "To Frederick L. Wheeler, by the city of Boston, Hon James M. Curley, Mayor."

In making the presentation Mayor Curley said he did so on the eve of Navy Day because of the contribution of Mr Wheeler and his family to the country since the birth of the Nation.

MOVIES TO HELP POOR OF BOSTON

Special Performances in All Hub Houses Nov. 20

The entire proceeds of an extra performance in every motion picture theatre in the city on Friday, Nov. 20, will be turned over to the Boston Public Welfare department for the relief of the poor and unemployed here this winter.

ARRANGE PERFORMANCES

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NO NEED OF APPREHENSION OVER NAVY YARD CLOSING

There is no need of apprehension over the closing of the Navy Yard in Charlestown at this time, according to a letter received today by Henry I. Harriman, chairman of the L trustees, from Secretary of the Navy Charles Francis Adams. Mr Harriman informed Mayor Curley today of the receipt of the letter.

The communication also said that the Secretary of the Navy believes that it is inadvisable at this time for a committee from Boston to call on President Hoover. The appropriation bill, Mr Harriman is informed, will not be made up for another month.

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CURLEY URGES NAVY DAY OBSERVANCE

Mayor Curley's Navy Day Proclamation follows:

"With the approval of the President and the United States Navy Department, the United States Navy League has designated Oct 27, 1931, as Navy Day, and asks the cooperation of the country at large in making the celebration successful and fruitful of results.

"This request makes a special and powerful appeal to Massachusetts which is known the world over, ever since the early days of our country, for her supremacy on the sea. If you seek the causes of the riches of so many of the old families of Massachusetts, and Boston in particular, you will find they lie in the wealth of shipping, in which Massachusetts gloried for generations. Boston sent her vessels to every port in the world, and her name became a commonplace wherever industry and commerce reached a high level.

"Time was when certain families of Boston, still surviving, had a vessel on the ocean for every day in the year, and their descendants have maintained a position in the business world, the stimulus to which was given by the interest which the ancester took in shipping as a means of enriching, not only Boston, but the entire Atlantic coast, giving it a reputation which survives even to today. In these days when our chief interest is the development of the Port of Boston, it is particularly fitting that we celebrate Navy Day. It will give an urge to the movement of the return to her earlier shipping activity, if we recall the past and review it with the pride to which it is entitled.

Navy's Romantic Story

"The story of the Navy of the United States is so interesting as to be almost romantic. Who does not know the names of Paul Jones, Commodore Jack Barry, and O'Brien of Machias, who, by their high moral courage, championed the cause of the colonists, and challenged the mighty Navy of the greatest Naval Power on the face of the earth?

"The War of 1812 was fought very largely on the seas, and the names of Stewart, Lawrence, Perry and McDonough are held in highest esteem wherever Naval heroes are mentioned in history.

"But the one vessel that stands out in the War of 1812, as all the world knows, is the frigate Constitution, built here in Boston. Every child knows the story of her fight with the Guerriere, and how the American marine made the British man of war strike her colors.

"The Constitution never met with a defeat, and her story continues to be lovingly told to generation after generation. Oliver Wendell Holmes, when it was proposed to send her to the scrap heap as having finished her work, summed up the indignation of the entire people by writing 'Old Ironsides,' and thus this glory of the seas was saved. Her history was not forgotten. Time and again movements were made for her reconditioning, and now we find the old Constitution appearing in harbor after harbor, in a country which, in the early days, she did so much to save.

"All through her history the Navy has maintained the same glorious record and, in the Civil War, the names of Farragut, Porter and Winslow challenge comparison for the victories that they gained with those of Grant, Sheridan, Thomas, McClellan and Sherman."

Asks General Celebration

"In 1898, Sampson and Schley gave added luster to the Navy. But what shall we say to the almost miraculous achievement of the Navy in the Great World War? The Allied Powers had their backs to the wall, and uttered an almost despairing cry to America to come and save them from destruction.

"Troops had to be moved across the Atlantic Ocean, and the United States Navy was not found wanting to the accomplishment of perhaps the greatest achievement registered in the history of warfare. As a result, the Allied Powers took courage, their morale was restored, they assumed again the will to victory, and finally triumphed in the greatest of all wars. This must be considered the greatest triumph ever achieved by any navy.

"Shall we be less appreciative of the work of our Navy than those who have gone before? Shall we not, in the schools and at our firesides, tell again the story of the achievement of the American Navy? Shall we not take pride in the work which she has done, side by side with the Army, to guarantee to us protection in peace and in war? Shall we not exhibit to the world a fine example of a just appreciation of a service that has never looked back, but whose watchword from the very beginning has been forward?

"As Mayor of Boston, I ask the citizenship to observe Tuesday, Oct 27, 1931, as Navy Day, and I urge them to fly the Stars and Stripes, in honor of the day, from their homes and buildings and, by virtue of the authority vested in me, I direct American flags to be raised over every schoolhouse and public building in Boston, and I urge that suitable patriotic exercises be observed in the schools, public and private, in commemoration of the American Navy and its achievements in war and peace."

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MAYOR HITS NAVY DAY INSTRUCTIONS

Curley Denounces Request to Avoid Controversy, Assails Disarmament Programs

Exposing the secret instructions given by the Navy League to all "Navy Day" speakers to avoid controversial Naval subjects such as maintenance and appropriation programs and discuss only topics relating to the history and purpose of the Navy, Mayor James M. Curley, opening the Boston observance over station WAAB last night, made a fiery attack on those people who would consider it distasteful to advocate an adequate National defense.

Mayor Curley's attack came after he had finished one-third of a prepared talk on the meaning of Navy Day in which he had carefully refrained from discussing the forbidden subjects. Sitting at the microphone at the studio at the Hotel Buckminster, he cast aside his written talk and launched into criticism of people who would reduce the Navy to a mere skeleton and almost forced the Navy Yard band, sitting with him in the studio, to break into cheers.

Criticizes Instructions

After referring to the part the Navy has played in the history of Massachusetts, he told of instructions from Walter Bruce Howe, national chairman for Navy Day, that Navy Day speakers, whether civilians or officers, be asked to avoid Naval topics which are or may become controversial. "For example, the instructions read," he said, " 'avoid such topics as treaty ratios, building programs, maintenance and appropriations therefor, and select topics relating to history, traditions and purpose of the Navy, the Merchant Marine and the overseas commerce of the United States.' "

Mayor Curley, mentioning Mr Howe by name, paid his respects by asking over the radio:

"How much better if we were told to give a discussion of the cultivation of the silk worm in China or a talk on millinery and let alone the question of national defense.

"Everything America has and hopes to have may be traced to the United States Navy."

Comment on the Constitution

Mayor Curley recalled that only a short time ago when the U S S Frigate Constitution wa sreconditioned at the Charlestown Navy Yard and was declared ready for a trip to the various ports, and he remarked that "in the policy of disarmament that is in the minds of many in America, the time might come when the old Constitution might be the leading fighting ship of the American Navy."

"I wonder if that prophesy is coming true," the Mayor asked.

"It appears distasteful to discuss the question of adequate National Defense," he said. "Yet it was the courage and daring that enabled Americans to build out of nothing a fighting fleet that has shed lustre and glory on America."

"I hope the day never comes," he said, "when it is considered an offense to pay homage to makers of history of the character that will safeguard conditions of happiness and security that we have simply become custodians of."

Points to Russian Menace

Paying compliment to the progress made by the Merchant Marine since the war, Mayor Curley said that so long as America is engaged in this work without adequate protection, just so long is there menace to peace and harmony for the American people. He said the only way commerce can be carried on is through the protection furnished by the American Navy, thereby safeguarding the rights of American ships.

The Mayor picked up a clipping from the London Daily Mail referring to Stalin of Russia, and discussed the five-year program there, which, he said, means 17,000,000 armed and trained men in five years.

He said that we all want universal disarmament, but declared that as long as such a threat remains in the world there is no way to justify any disarmament of the United States Navy or Army.

He also declared that there should be no limitation of discussion to the Merchant Marine and its cargoes on past history when such a situation faces the world.

"It is time for the people of America to take stock," he said, "and take more pride in the achievement of naval heroes."

LARGE OUTPOURING AT McMANN FUNERAL

State, City Officials Are Among Those Attending

Funeral services for court officer Thomas P. McMann of 37 Romsey st, Dorchester, took place this morning at St William's Church, Dorchester av, Dorchester. There was a solemn high mass of requiem at 10 o'clock with Rev Daniel J. Murphy, pastor, as celebrant; Rev Edward I. O'Brien as deacon: Rev Michael J. Tonra as subdeacon and Rev William Long as master of ceremonies.

The music was under the direction of Miss Daisy G. Griffin, organist, with James J. Herrick, tenor; and Mrs Stephen O'Neill, soprano, as soloists. Griffin's requiem was sung. At the end of the mass, Mr Herrick sang "Miseremini Mei."

The church was thronged with court officers, Federal, State and city officials and numerous relatives and friends. There were many floral tributes.

The active pallbearers were H. H. Hill, Thomas F. Lyden, Frank Trainor, Herbert J. Tabor, Henry A. Drury and Ex-Representative James F. Kenney.

The honorary pallbearers were six uniformed Superior Court officers, Edward M. Shay. Edward P. Ryan, Andrew J. Crotty. Hugh H. Garrity, Edward H. McCorkle and Joseph E. McNamara.

The escort comprised a delegation of 20 men from the Tammany Club of Roxbury, headed by Mayor James M. Curley and Pres Daniel J. Gillen; and 20 men from the St Margaret's Ushers' Club, headed by Congressman John W. McCormack and George H. Murray.

The ushers were James Cassidy, James J. Murphy, Joseph F. Crawford, Thomas J. Mahoney, Patrick J. Drislane and attorney James J. Cody.

For many years "Big Tom" McMann was a prominent figure in the political life of Boston and was a first lieutenant of Mayor Curley in all his campaigns.

This morning there was a large outpouring of his friends including Sheriff John A. Keliher, Park Commissioner William P. Long, Ex-City Treas John J. Curley, Supt of Police Michael H. Crowley, Chief Inspector John J. Crowley of the Paving Division, Supt of Supplies Philip Chapman, City Collector William M. McMorrow, Ex-Fire Commissioner Theodore A. Glynn, Dr John F. H. Connors, Chairman Joseph J. Hurley of the School Committee, Ex-Representative Joseph Leonard, Supreme Court officer Micnael H. King, Representative Peter Fitzgerald, Capt John T. Crowley of the Army Air Service, Deputy Building Commissioner Joseph Cahill, Past Grand Knight Thomas F. Phelan of Rose Croix Council, K. of C.; Mel Eastman, Representative Lawrence Sullivan, Deputy Collector Joseph J. Flynn, Ex-Representative Leo F. McCullough, Ex-City Councilor James Purcell, Ex-Representative Maurice J. Tobin, William C. Wall and Dr Charles E. Mackey.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery.

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MAN STRIKES SENATOR ULIN

Threat to Call Police Ends Battle

Blows today were exchanged for the first time at a hearing before the Street Commissioners and peace was not restored until Commissioner John O'Callaghan threatened to call in the police. The Council fight in Ward 18, between Councilor Clement A. Norton and James A. (Jerry) Watson, one of Norton's opponents, precipitated the row today, that ended with Senator Max Ulin being struck by a man in the audience, who in turn was repaid by Senator Ulin. Councilor Norton concluded his part in the affair by challenging Mayor Curley to discuss city affairs at the Boston Garden.

The cause of the trouble was alleged lack of attention by Councilor Norton in filing a petition for the laying out and construction of Rutledge road, Hyde Park, from Wood av to Ralston road, and the renaming of the street Taunton av. Eleven hearings were scheduled on streets and the Board of Commissioners had heard the petition for Rutledge road, took the matter under advisement and had proceeded to other business when Councilor Norton arrived.

Councilor Norton took the floor and proceeded as if the matter of Rutledge road was still before the commissioners. A woman in the audience interrupted and charged that a petition was drawn up a year ago and that Councilor Norton was to have filed it, but did not do so. The Councilor insisted that he made a verbal request at the time to Chief Engineer Sullivan and the latter supported Councilor Norton on the point.

Candidate James A. Watson got into the argument by claiming that the honor of the petition, etc, was his. Councilor Norton made a derogatory characterization of Watson, who retorted in kind and then there was more of it.

Challenges Curley to Debate

Councilor Norton offered an explanation that he encountered delay on the matter because Mayor Curley had been away so often and also that on appearing at the outer portals of the Mayor's office that he failed to be admitted. The Hyde Park Councilor then declared that he would like to meet Mayor Curley in debate at the Boston Garden on the subject of municipal affairs.

Senator Max Ulin remarked that the hearing had developed into a political battle between Norton and Watson. The latter then charged Senator Ulin "with getting the people in this mess" and the Senator replied that he was present in the interests of the people and that Watson was trying to stage a political rally.

A woman made some remark to Senator Ulin and the latter said: "These politicians are a lot of scalawags. They make me sick. Instead of talking streets they discuss political issues." The husband of the woman insisted that the remark called for an apology to his wife, which Senator Ulin denied. He said his remark was for the politicians and not intended for any woman.

The man then struck Senator Ulin, who returned it. Before the contest could proceed far, Councilor Norton separated the men while Commissioner O'Callaghan was making his threat to call the police. The matter was then taken under advisement.

Herald 10/28/31

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Herald 10/28/31

GAS CO. TO GET BIG ABATEMENT

State Board of Tax Appeal Allowance May Total $2,500,000

MAYOR TO PRESS FOR ABOLITION OF GROUP

The state board of tax appeals, which has been sharply criticised by Mayor Curley for consistently favoring appellants from the judgment of Boston assessors, has ruled that the Boston Consolidated Gas Company is entitled to a substantial abatement of the assessment of $24,500,000 levied on underground pipes and machinery within the limits of Boston. The abatement may be as high as $2,500,000.

Official announcement of the abatement, described yesterday as so large that Mayor Curley will renew with greater vigor his demand for the abolition of the board, is expected to be made immediately.

ON $22,000,000 INVENTORY

The assessment which the state board will place upon the personal property of the company in Boston is predicted to approximate the inventory of $22,000,000 made by an acknowledged national expert in the determination of the value of piping and gas making machinery.

City officials have anticipated that the state board might take cognizance of the inventory of the New York expert but hope has been entertained that the reduction would not be as heavy as was indicated yesterday.

Mayor Curley voiced a demand for the abolition of the state board and threatened to sponsor a movement at the next session of the Legislature to accomplish such a purpose, when the board recently placed a tax value of $45,000 on Hanover street property, on which representatives of the owners had set a value of $75,000 before the assessors proposed an assessment of $90,000.

TRAVELER 10/28/31

Mayor Curley Calls the Turn

FOR years the board of fire underwriters, an adjunct to the fire insurance companies, has been urging cities to increase their fire-fighting and fire-prevention facilities with the promise that if the board's suggestions were adopted, reduced rates for fire insurance would follow.

Every new mayor, every new fire commissioner has listened to this line of talk and most of them have believed it. At the suggestion of the board, Boston long ago made itself a class A city. In fact, Boston has followed completely the advice of the underwriters.

Now Mayor Curley neatly calls the bluff. He demands a 25 per cent. reduction in fire insurance rates. He calls upon the board to keep its side of the bargain.

No doubt the answer will be that losses are greater. What we are interested in knowing is whether losses are greater in proportion to revenue. Every time Boston spends a few millions, the fire insurance business profits. We installed a high-pressure system. We established a two-platoon system for firemen. We motorized the entire department. We expanded the fire-prevention bureau. We are reopening the fire college. Mayor Curley says we have done everything the underwriters have suggested.

It is about time for a showdown.

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LAST TRIBUTE PAID CHARLES F. D. BELDEN

Funeral services for Charles F. D. Belden, director of the Boston Public Library, who died at Pittsfield Saturday, were held yesterday in the First Church, Unitarian, Eliot and Center sts, Jamaica Plain, Rev Frank O. Holmes officiated. There was a large attendance of friends and relatives.

Ushers were Charles P. Dillaby, Henry S. Adams, Franklin G. Balch, Henry H. Putnam, Thomas G. Rees, Robert B. Stone, Horace Guild and Judge Burke E. Holland.

Prominent among persons present were Mayor Curley, Louis E. Kirstein, chairman of the trustees of the Boston Public Library; Ellery Sedgwick, Frank W. Buxton and John L. Hull, trustees; Robert Shaw, director of the Worcester Library; Frank W. Faxon, president of the State Library Association; Edward H. Redstone of the State Library; Dr Payson Smith, Commissioner of Education; Charles R. Greene of the Jones Library, Amherst; Charles K. Bolton of the Boston Athenaeum, and Robert P. Blake, director of the Widener Library, Cambridge.

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After cremation at the Forest Hills Crematory, burial was in Chilmark, where Mr Belden made his Summer home.

GOOD WILL FLIGHT STARTS HERE TODAY

The first international good-will military air mission to leave Boston will take off from the Boston Airport this morning at 10:30 for St Hubert's Airport in Montreal. Seven Army Air Corps Reserve officers and a mechanic, headed by Capt Joseph A. Wilson, commanding officer of the Regular Army Air Detachment in Boston, will comprise the flight. They will fly five fast observation planes in formation.

They will take with them a gallon of Boston baked beans in a thermos jug, the present of Mayor Curley to the Mayor of Montreal. They will drop the jug by parachute to the McGill University Stadium, where it will be received in Canada by representatives of the Mayor of the Canadian city. These beans will later be auctioned off at a sale by the Federated Charities of Montreal.

Capt "Smoky Joe" Wilson planned the flight and it has the official sanction of the War Department at Washington. It will be the final mission of the reserve officers now on duty at the airport.

Three Douglass and two Curtiss Falcons will be the planes used in the flight, and those flying on the mission will include, beside Capt Wilson, Maj Claude W. Cummings, flight surgeon of the Boston Airport; Lieuts Winsor Harlow, Walter E. Cleveland, Robert Fogg, Lyle Churchill, John L. Wamsley, Maurice J. Connell and George H. Bond and air mechanic Charles Merrill.

The flight will return here either tomorrow or Friday.

TRANSCRIPT 10/28/31

Flags Presented to Curley School

This was flag day at the Mary E. Curley School, Jamaica Plain. Patriotic exercises were held in the auditorium at nine o'clock when flag presentations were made by forty members of the Women's Patriotic and Civic League, one to each class room, and the National and State standards for the stage. Mrs. Mary MacNeill, presdent of the League, presented the State flag in honor of Mayor Curley; Miss Margaret Ford presented the American flag in memory of Mrs. Curley; Mrs. Charles S. Sullivan presented a flag in memory of James Curley, Jr., and Margaret O'Connell presented a flag in memory of Dorothea Curley. Mayor Curley responded to the honro paid his family and Superintendent of Schools Jeremiah E. Burke and Joseph J. Hurley, chairman of the board, also spoke.

Downtown Route Is Chosen for Parade

The first down-town route for a parade since an agreement was reached between the mayor and the business interests a few months ago was today selected for the parade of the American Legion, 5000 strong, on Armistice Day, Nov. 11. The parade will form on Beacon, Arlington, Marlboro and side streets and at 9.30 A. M. move up Beacon street, down School into Washington, thence to Temple place, Tremont, Boylston and Charles streets, entering the Common through the middle gate. Adjutant General John H. Agnew will serve as chief marshal.

The parade agreement restricts routes to the residential districts west and south of Boylston street, except on Sundays and holidays. Armistice Day is a legal holiday, but the stores will be open as usual, unless action to the contrary is taken by the Retail Trade Board. The down-town route was granted after numerous conferences, in which Mayor Curley took part. Protests from the business interests may follow, however.

HERALD 10/28/31

RESIGNATION OF CLARK ACCEPTED BY CURLEY

The resignation of B. Preston Clark of 55 Kilby street as a member of the board of zoning adjustment was accepted by Mayor Curley, yesterday. He represented the Associated Industries of Massachusetts on the board and retired because of pressure of other duties. His successor will be chosen by the mayor from two nominees submitted by the state organization.

GLOBE 10/28/31

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AMERICAN 10/28/31

CURLEY, HURLEY LEAD IN FIGHT FOR FRIGATE

Order to Tie Up Constitution Which the Children Saved, Is Considered "Insult"

Immediate, determined action by Massachusetts, starting with mass meetings "in every city and town," was urged today by Mayor Curley to save "Old Ironsides," the historic frigate, which has been ordered out of commission by the Navy Department and tied up at Washington.

The mayor's condemnation of the proposal led a storm of protest from all over New England against retirement of the famous vessel, reconditioned as the result of a campaign started by the Boston Evening American and supported largely by contributions from this section.

ITS "CHILDREN SHIP."

Much of the needed sum was raised by contributions of a penny each from school children the nation over, and in behalf of the thousands in Boston who thus aided the campaign Chairman Joseph J. Hurley of the School Committee added a vehement protest against decommissioning the frigate.

The Governor's Council, in behalf of the State government, today telegraphed to President Hoover and Secretary of the Navy Adams an emphatic protest against the closing of the Boston Navy Yard.

The protest was in the form of a resolution, unanimously adopted on motion of Councillor James H. Brennan of Charlestown.

SEE JOBLESS CRISIS

"Such action at this particular time would, in our opinion, be unwise and unwarranted, causing increased suffering and distress among innocent dependents of loyal navy yard workers, also threatening the continued existence of an historic Massachusetts and New England institution," the Council resolved.

"We consider the navy yard indispensable to our national defense and security."

Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, who, when a Congressman 35 years ago, brought about removal of "Old Ironsides" from Portsmouth back here to the port where she was built, also voiced a vigorous protest.

"If the ship had not been brought here and repaired at that time she would have sunk at her dock," Mr. Fitzgerald said. "She properly belongs here and she ought to lie at the Boston Navy Yard. The same activities used to protest the closing of the Navy Yard ought to be used to bring back the Constitution to her rightful place here."

Already in arms against the suggestion to close the Navy Yard, Boston accepted the latest order of the Navy Department only as a challenge to carry on what is now a double-barreled fight.

SHIP AN INSTITUTION.

"Mass meetings should be held at once in every city and town in Massachusetts to protest against the so-called economy order issued under the direction of President Hoover for the tieing up of 'Old Ironsides,'" Mayor Curley said.

"The ship was reconditioned by money contributed by the patriotic citizens of the United States and the largest portion came from New England, where the ship was built.

"'Old Ironsides' is an American patriotic institution that should be preserved. If economies are to be made they should be made otherwise than at the expense of patriotism."

Chairman Hurley, speaking for pupils, teachers and parents of pupils of the Boston school system, said:

"We vigorously protest against and resist such action by the government. The Boston school children, 130,000 of them, each contributed a penny toward refitting the Constitution.

"They did this, not for the purpose of having the ship hidden away somewhere, but that they and the school children who follow them might see it in its original form and visualize the stirring days the great frigate passed through."

The frigate is scheduled to go to Washington from Baltimore by way of Annapolis on November 6. It is to remain there until November 12 with a full complement of 77 men. On that day the crew will be reduced to 25 men and the vessel tied up until it is decided what will be done with her.

TRAVELER 10/28/31

Backs up Mayor

People's Editor:

No doubt L. M. Hall of Saugus and E. C. Johnson of Watertown, writers of Saturday's letters, are two of the many who contributed to the upkeep and expenses of Aimee McPherson Hutton.

I don't believe we can class her work with that of our Salvation Army, who live in the poorest of quarters rather than expensive hotels.

Neither do our Salvation Army leaders attend the local night clubs after their day's work.

Good luck to our wide-awake mayor!

Dorchester. JOE M.

HERALD 10/28/31

CURLEY TO AID JEWISH DRIVE

Will Address Luncheon of Philanthropies Workers Today

FUND EXPECTED TO PASS $310,000 MARK

Mayor Curley will address the workers at the campaign luncheon of the Associated Jewish Philanthropies at headquarters, 36 Summer street, at 12:30 today. With a record attendance expected for the observance of Mayor's day, the fund total is expected to go well over the half-way mark in the $615,000 drive.

The campaign total reached $288,096 at the workers' report luncheon yesterday, at which Sidney Rabinovitz, food division commander, presided. The largest amount turned in by any team was $5958, reported by Edward N. Marcus, captain of the women's wear team. Other substantial amounts reported were by Isaac Kaplan, $3100 for the house furnishings division, and Myer Saxe, $1170 for the shoe and leather division.

Brookline, Brighton and Allston districts, under the supervision of Mrs. Max E. Bernkopf, received first honors in the women's division, reports accounting for $1502, practically all of which was in cash. The first Roxbury report will be made at a luncheon meeting this noon at the Boston Y. M. H. A., Seaver street and Humboldt avenue. Mrs. Colman Levin, supervisor, has invited more than 100 workers to attend.

URGE GREATER SUPPORT

Last night Gov. Ely and Dr. Charles F. Wilinsky, director of Beth Israel Hospital, speaking over radio station WNAC, appealed to the community for greater support of the campaign to assure the philanthropies reaching its $615,000 during the campaign.

More than 250 will attend the second annual bench and bar dinner at the Hotel Kenmore at 6:30 tonight. The affair is sponsored by the lawyers' division of the campaign, of which Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman is commander. Samuel Markell, captain of the team, will preside at the dinner at which Louis E. Kirstein, president, and Henry Penn, campaign chairman, will be guests. The committee includes Judges A. E. Pinanski, Elijah Adlow, A. K. Cohen, J. J. Kaplan, Francis Wyner, and Philip Rubenstein, Lewis M. Goldberg, public utilities commissioner, and Albert A. Ginzberg, president of the Beth Israel Hospital.

Post 10/28/31

OPPOSE NEW GROVE HALL HIGH PLANS

Dorchester Folk Insist on Meeting House Hill Site

Seeking the erection of a new high school in the Meeting House Hill section, nearly 100 Dorchester residents yesterday appealed to the City Council executive committee, in public hearing at City Hall, to block the appropriation of $920,000 for the proposed building at Grove Hall.

RUBY FOR GROVE HALL

Of the 20 speakers who addressed the committee, only Councillor Israel Ruby of Ward 14, Dorchester, advocated the passage of the $920,000 loan order as approved by the school authorities and Mayor Curley in order to begin immediate construction work at Grove Hall.

At Grove Hall, he insisted, the city already owns the site, having spent $55,000 for it three years ago. The school is needed for the pupils of the district, he said, and it is in a location with adequate street car service. Provided the opponents would permit the starting of work at Grove Hall, he said, he would volunteer his services in the drive to obtain the next high school for the Meeting House Hill district.

As spokesman for the protestants, Councillor Francis E. Kelly of Dorchester complained that the Grove Hall site was in the vicinity of apartment houses, laundries, garages and dangerous traffic hazards, and urged that the money be transferred to a school in the Meeting House Hill section.

Mrs. Eleanor Creed L'Ecuyer, who, with former Representative J. Garvey, is seeking Kelly's seat in the City Council, also urged the erection of a new high school in her home section on Meeting House Hill.

Could Block Loan

In response to the explanation of Chairman Edward M. Gallagher of the committee, who stated that the Council had no authority to select sites, that duty devolving upon the school authorities, State Senator Joseph Finnigan of Dorchester declared that eight members of the Council could block the passage of the school loan until the school officials agreed to place the new building at Meeting House Hill.

Other speakers who opposed the Grove Hall site were President Patrick Connelly of the Dorchester Board of Trade, William J. Paul, Representatives John P. Mahoney, Marcus J. Levins and Lewis R. Sullivan, Raymond P. Delano, Richard F. Morgan, Matthew Crehan, Daniel J. Daily, Jr., Mrs. William J. Burke, former State Senator Joseph Leonard, Mrs. Patrick Feeney and others. Chairman Joseph J. Hurley, through a representative, was recorded in favor of the Meeting House Hill high school.

The Council's executive committee, at the close of the hearing, which lasted nearly three hours, took the matter under advisement. At any rate, the matter will not be reported out to the Council until the meeting following Tuesday's election.

BELDEN'S ASHES IN CHILMARK

Burial of Librarian Follows Cremation

While the Boston Public Library was closed as a silent tribute, funeral services for Charles F. D. Belden, director of the library, were held yesterday at the First Church, Unitarian, Jamaica Plain, with many State, city and library dignitaries present.

Prominent persons present were Mayor Curley, Louis E. Kirstein, chairman of the trustees of the Boston Public Library; Ellery Sedgwick, Frank W. Buxton and John L. Hull, trustees; Frank W. Faxon, president of the State Library Association; Robert P. Blake, director of the Widener Library, and Robert Shaw, director of the Worcester Library. The Massachusetts Bar Association was represented by Frank W. Grinnell, secretary; Henry A. Wyman, Philip Nichols, Guy A. Holliday, Harvard Law School, and Francis J. Murray.

Ushers were Charles P. Dillaby, Henry S. Adams, Franklin G. Balch, Henry H. Putnam, Thomas G. Rees, Robert B. Stone, Horace Guild and Judge Burke E. Holland. Following cremation at Forest Hills Crematory, burial was at Chilmark, Martha's Vineyard, where Mr. Belden made his summer home.

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MAYOR CURLEY SPEAKER AT ROCKLAND SESSION

ROCKLAND, Oct 27—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston was the speaker at the opening session of the Rockland Chamber of Commerce at the Opera House tonight. There was a large attendance from this and neighboring towns.

Mayor Curley spoke on the work done to develop the port of Boston and said a four-day schedule was being contemplated between Boston and Europe.

He also related the activities of Boston in relieving unemployment and the great sums spent for the relief of the poor.

$288,096 TOTAL FOR TWO DAYS

Jewish Philanthropies' $615,000 Drive Well Along

With $288,096 already reported in the first two days of the $615,000 Associated Jewish Philanthropies' campaign, this year's drive for the benefit of the unemployed and the maintenance of the 19 institutions and societies affiliated with the organization, promises to go down as one of the most remarkable in the annals of similar enterprises in this city, on account of both the effort expended and the circumstances under which it is being conducted.

$26,000 YESTERDAY

More than $26,000 was reported yesterday at the second meeting of the campaign workers, held at headquarters, 36 Summer street. The largest amount turned in by any team was $5958 reported by Edward N. Marcus, captain of the women's wear team. Other substantial amounts announced were by Isaac Kaplan, $3150 for the house furnishings division; Gabriel M. Stern, $1398 for the advertising and newspaper team, and $1170 by Myer Saxe for the shoe and leather division.

It was announced by Sidney Rabinovitz, who presided, that Brookline, Brighton and Allston districts, under the supervision of Mrs. Max E. Bernkopf, had received first honors in the women's division reports, with the sum of $1502 practically all of which was in cash. The first Roxbury report will be made at a luncheon meeting this noon, at the Boston Y. M. H. A. building, Seaver street, Roxbury. Mrs. Coleman Levin, supervisor, has invited more than 100 workers to attend.

Appeals by Radio

Appeals to the community for support to insure the success of the Philanthropies' campaign were broadcast last evening over Station WNAC, by Governor Joseph B. Ely and Dr. Charles F. Wilinsky, director of the Beth Israel Hospital.

Mayor James M. Curley will address the third workers' report luncheon to be held this noon at campaign headquarters on Summer street.

TRAVELER 10/28/31

Flags Presented at Curley School



Presentation of national and state flags to the children of the Mary E. Curley school, Jamaica Plain, today. Left to right, front row, Mary Curley, Margaret Ford, John F. McGrath, presiding officer; Mayor Curley, and Mrs. Mary E. McNeil, president of the Woman's League. Rear, Dr. Jeremiah E. Burke, superintendent of Boston schools, left, and J. J. Hurley, chairman of the Boston school committee. The Women's Patriotic and Civic League presented 40 flags, one for each classroom, a large national flag in memory of Mrs. Curley, for whom the school is named, and a state flag, honoring Mayor Curley.

TRANSCRIPT 10/28/31

Blows Struck at Street Hearing

Boston's lively city council campaign was transferred for a moment or two to the office of the street commission today, during a public hearing on petitions for the laying out and construction of eleven streets in Hyde Park, Dorchester, West Roxbury and Brighton. The hearing room was crowded and political feeling ran high, especially over the question of constructing Rutledge road, Hyde Park, from Wood avenue to Ralston road, with the name of Taunton avenue.

Fun started when Councilor Clement E. Norton, arriving late, began a speech in favor of immediate action by the authorities. Immediately he was upbraided by several women who accused him of neglecting to file a petition, numerously signed, months ago. Mr. Norton replied that he had personally seen the chief engineer of the street department about the street, thus discharging his obligation to the residents. At that point, Mr. Norton's rival for the council seat in Ward 18, James A. Watson, claimed the credit for whatever favor the street had with the commissioners.

Norton resented Watson's claim and became more resentful when his rival accused him of not looking after the interests of his ward, especially at the mayor's office. Norton asserted that he had tried to see ahe mayor on many occasions, but had not been admitted to the office. Harsh words flew thick and fast, each calling the other names, and Norton offering to debate municipal questions with Mayor Curley at the Boston Garden.

Hardly had this rumpus ceased, the contestants glaring wildly at each other over the long table, when Senator Max Ulin of Dorchester started to speak only to be confronted by Watson with the words, "You got the people into this." When a Hyde Park resident crisply invited the senator to sit, he turned and remarked that "these politicians are a lot of scalawags." The man who had invited the senator to sit, then invited him to apologize, quickly enforcing the invitation with a blow of his fist. The senator replied in kind and all was confusion. Commissioner John J. O'Callaghan, who was presiding, threatened to send for the police and clear the room, but in a few moments the hearing was resumed.

Boston Army Planes Off for Montreal

Although low ceiling at Boston and poor weather reports from along the route to Montreal forced them to postpone their start early this morning, five Army Air Corps planes took off from the Boston Airport at one o'clock this afternoon on the first military mission to an international point from here. Led by Captain Joseph A. Wilson, commanding officer of the Boston detachment, the formation flew high over the city before setting its course to Montreal. Burlington and Montpelier, Vt., weather stations reported driving rain at those points at an early hour today, but the weather cleared sufficiently by noon to permit the flight to take off after a few hours' delay. When they reach Montreal, Captain Wilson will signal for the formation to break and land at the St. Hubert's Airport while he takes his high-powered observation ship over the park near the McGill Stadium. Representatives from the Federated Charities of Montreal will be waiting at the park for Captain Wilson to drop a thermos bottle containing a quart of Boston baked beans, that were sent to the airport from Mayor Curley's office this morning. If weather permits the formation will return to Boston tomorrow when the mission is completed.

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FLAGS GIVEN TO MARY E. CURLEY SCHOOL

DR. J. E. BURKE JOHN F. McGRATH JOSEPH HURLEY



MISS MARY CURLEY MISS MARGARET FORD MAYOR CURLEY MARY E. McNEIL

In the presence of hundreds of students at the new high school in Jamaica Plain, Mrs. Mary E. McNeil, president of the Women's Patriotic and Civic League, today presented 42 American flags and one state emblem. The flags were accepted for the city by Headmaster John F. McGrath. Mayor Curley spoke to the pupils. (Staff photo.)

42 FLAGS GIVEN NEW SCHOOL

With tears coursing his cheeks as he referred to his wife, Mayor Curley, speaking today at the new Mary E. Curley School in Jamaica Plain, named in her memory, urged the hundreds of pupils assembled in the hall to respect and obey their mothers.

The mayor was one of the speakers at exercises in connection with acceptance by school officials of 42 American flags and one State flag, presented by the Women's Patriotic Civic League.

One flag will be displayed in each room of the new school in Center st., and the other American flag and the State flag will fly from the school staff.

"The flag," said Mayor Curley, "symbolizes everything worthwhile in the life of a nation. My beloved wife always taught her children to respect the flag as they would respect her.

"That brings to my mind to say to you children that you should always respect and obey your parents, especially your mothers, who are not always left with you long enough."

TRANSCRIPT 10/28/31

Tea Given in Honor of Master McGrath

At the Mary E. Curley School, Jamaica Plain, an informal afternoon tea was today held in the library which was decorated with autumn foliage and chrysanthemums. The faculty presented to the master, John F. McGrath, a leather and onyx desk set, and Mrs. McGrath was presented a bouquet of Talisman roses.

Mr. McGrath, the first master of the Mary E. Curley School, is a gradaute of the Bridgewater Normal School, and began his teaching career in the Natick High School. He was appointed submaster at the Bigelow School, Boston, where he taught for six years, then became master of the Eliot School, where he remained twenty years, transferring to the Michelangelo School, where he was master five years. He has always been greatly interested in teaching methods and is the originator of the "sense method" in teaching the social subjects.

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JEWISH FUND DRIVE AT $321,980 MARK

$33,535 Raised in Day — Mayor Curley Speaks at Workers' Luncheon



RADIO TEAM CAPTAIN RECEIVES FIRST RETURNS IN JEWISH PHILANTHROPIES DRIVE. HERBERT KRAMER OF N. SALLINGER & CO (SEATED) SURROUNDED BY MEMBERS OF HIS TEAM.

Left to Right, Standing—George Silton, Albert M. Stone, Milhender Radio Company; Ernest H. Robinson, Dewey Radio Company; Joseph Milhender, first lieutenant of the Radio team, and Sidney Goldstein, Standard Stores.

The third mid-day luncheon of the workers in the Associated Jewish Philanthropies campaign for $615,000 was held yesterday at the campaign headquarters, 36 Summer st. The report of the team captains showed the subscriptions for the day of $33,535, making the grand total to date $321,980, over one-half of the total sum desired. It was also reported that a very large percentage of the subscriptions received since yesterday were in cash.

The meeting was opened by Arthur C. Stern, one of the co-chairmen of the campaign, who pleaded for greater cooperation declaring it was very necessary that the full quota be secured. Albert A. Ginsberg, president of the Beth Israel Hospital, stated that the campaign must not be a failure as the 19 institutions and agencies are in great need and must be maintained. He pleaded with the captain and workers of the teams to devote more time to the work so that the campaign would be a success.

Henry Penn, campaign chairman, spoke of the value of the permanent organizations, Business Men's Council and Women's Division who are putting the back-bone into this campaign and doing the major portion of the work. Judge Jacob J. Kaplan also spoke of the necessity of cooperation and steady attention to the work before the campaign to bring about success.

Kirstein Praises Mayor

Louis E. Kirstein, president of the association, introduced Mayor James M. Curley, who was received amid great applause. At the start of the drive he increased his subscription 25 percent to give an incentive to others to increase theirs in the present crisis. In his introduction of Mayor Curley, Mr Kirstein said he wished all the citizens of Boston knew the Mayor as he did and stated that he was a most capable leader of a great city and as capable a leader for a great State.

Mayor Curley, in opening his address, praised Mr Kirstein for his great philanthropic work and further said: "The Jewish race in America is to be congratulated on having in its midst that master mind, leading the most worthy of movements, Louis M. Kirstein.

"If every nationality had as little regard for the hotel at Deer Island as the Jewish people, we could save $300,000 a year. But the hotel has become so popular that we have 150 more than usual at this time of the year, and no one wants to leave it. There are 12,080 patients in the City Hospital. This is more than we have ever had before. I have no doubt that one out of every 20 is there with self-inflicted wounds. They break an arm or a leg, slash an arm or leg, to get food and a place to sleep.

Lauds Jewish Traits

"You come from a race that has demonstrated greater tenacity and greater cohesion and greater patience and greater willingness to suffer for ideals than any race in the world. You are too proud to beg, to go out and stand on the street corners and ask for alms. But if you cannot get work, and it is against your tradition to beg, of course, then it is clearly the duty of every man in the race to go to the limit to help keep the honor and dignity of the race preserved.

"We have a courageous outlook, but how about the fellow who has no friends, no strength, no health and no opportunities? The fellow that is reaching down there and asking you to give him a helping hand? Are you going to help him or are you going to step on his fingers? Are you going to come through? Make good now."

PARADE PLANS MADE FOR ARMISTICE DAY

Marchers to Take Part in Exercises on Common

Commander James E. Conway of Suffolk County Council, A. L., a member of Lieut Lawrence J. Flaherty Post, East Boston, who will be marshal of the Legionnaires in the Armistice Day parade in Boston, yesterday announced plans as far as drawn up.

The parade will start at Newbury and Arlington sts at 9:30 a m, under Brig Gen John H. Agnew, Adjutant General of the Massachusetts National Guard, as chief marshal.

It will march across to Beacon st, to School, Washington, Temple place, Tremont, Boyiston and Charles sts, entering the Common at the center Charles-st gate.

Then it will merge with the Armistice Day exercises, beginning on the Parkman Bandstand at 11, conducted by the Military Order of the World War.

In the first division, under Col Desmond of the 101st Infantry, will be the National Guard, Regular Navy and Marine Corps detachment.

Invited to the second division, of which the marshal will be State Commander Emery C. Griswold of the Spanish War Veterans, are the U. S. W. V. and the V. F. W.

The third division, composed of marchers from the 41 posts in Suffolk County Council of the Legion and other posts in the vicinity of Boston, will be under Commander Conway. Invited to that also are the Bessie Edwards Cadets and the Suffolk County Cadets.

Another division will be composed of officers of the Boston schoolboy regiments and their drill masters, probably under Chairman Joseph J. Hurley of the Boston School Committee.

Gov Joseph B. Ely and Mayor James M. Curley will be asked to review the parade as it passes the [illegible]

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Mayor Appeals for Five-Day Week Before Arboretum Club

A vigorous appeal by Mayor Curley for a five-day working week as the surest means of ending unemployment, and the charge by District Attorney William J. Foley that prohibition is directly responsible for increased crime and present day conditions facing youths, featured the first annual banquet last night of the Arboretum Club, of Jamaica Plain, in the new Mary E. Curley School.

More than 600 attended the formal affair, which was held in the school gymnasium. Mrs. Mary E. McNulty, club president, opened the programme. She presented Mrs. John M. Brennan, a vice-president, who acted as toastmistress. An elaborate programme of entertainment was provided.

In opening the speaking, Mrs. McNulty paid tribute to the memory of the Mayor's wife, after whom the school was named. Mrs. McNulty referred to Mrs. Curley as a "leader," a devoted wife and a true mother, whom most of us personally knew." She forecast that if the members of the club followed the ideals of the late Mrs. Curley the club could not avoid being a success.

Tribute to Mrs. Curley

State Treasurer Charles F. Hurley officially representing Governor Ely, extended to the gathering the greetings of the Commonwealth. He likewise paid an unusually glowing tribute to the memory of Mrs. Curley, which visibly effected the Mayor for a moment.

"This is a beautiful school, named after a beautiful woman," Hurley said. "She was a beautiful mother, too. Her name over the archway should prove an inspiration to each pupil entering here daily. Mrs. Curley represented motherhood and true devotion of the highest order."

The Mayor, after thanking Hurley for the latter's "kindly reference," lauded the club and told the members he proposes to have a memorial arch erected across Centre street, Jamaica Plain, near the Arnold Arboretum, soon in memory of the late Professor Charles Sprague Sargent, who founded the place.

Mayor Curley deplored the loss of faith and courage the average citizen has shown in the present economical crisis. He urged a five-day working week as the surest means of not only ending unemployment, but giving future assurance of no recurrence. The Mayor said the "sooner we get it, the better off America will be."

Crime and Prohibition

District Attorney Foley said the increase in crime and the unfavorable conditions facing youths today can be directly traced to the effects of the prohibition laws. He sympathized with fathers and mothers, declaring they "don't know from one minute to another when their children will get in trouble."

"It would be impossible to occupy my office without realizing that prohibition is responsible for present-day conditions," he said. "Youths are hi-jacking and encouraged at the success of this, they soon launch out onto pay-roll hold-up careers. There isn't a matter of more critical importance facing this country today than prohibition. It should be repealed."

CITY HALL ROW LEADS TO BLOWS

Sen. Ulin Struck After Norton-Watson Wrangle

State Senator Max Ulin of Dorchester and John Love of 41 Rutledge street, Hyde Park, swapped punches yesterday at City Hall Annex, when a Street Commission hearing was converted into a political rally for the Ward 18 City Council seat.

THREAT TO CALL POLICE

Warning of Commissioner John J. O'Callaghan to call the police ended the disorder, which had been precipitated by a bitter verbal clash between Councillor Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park and former Councillor James A. Watson, who is seeking to unseat him.

Following a remark by Mrs. Love, Senator Ulin protested, "These politicians are a lot of scallywags." Mr. Love contended that the Senator's statement called for an apology to his wife, and when Ulin refused to apologize, he was struck in the face, only to shoot back a right, which reached Love.

The bout was interrupted by Councillor Norton, who stepped in between the combatants, as Commissioner O'Callaghan threatened to call the police to clear the room.

Throng Witnesses Fracas

Nearly 100 men and women witnessed the affray, having appeared at City Hall to attend 11 hearings on the acceptance of public streets. The Hyde Park group were petitioning for the construction of Rutledge road and seeking to change its name to Taunton avenue.

That particular hearing had been closed when Councillor Norton entered, interrupting another hearing to speak in favor of Rutledge road. Former Councillor Watson informed him that the hearing was over and criticised him for failing to file the petition a year ago.

Bitter personal remarks passed between the two candidates, drawing from Senator Ulin his derogatory remark which started the fight.

CURLEY WON'T MEET RITCHIE

Mayor to Be Out of Town Saturday

Mayor Curley will not attend the luncheon to be given Governor Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland at the Parker House, Saturday by the Democratic State Committee, he said last night. He was listed as one of the chief speakers.

He stated he would be out of town. Governor Ely, and Senators Walsh and Coolidge are to speak. The Mayor said he had not assigned anyone to represent him. Although he openly advocates the candidacy of Governor Roosevelt for president, it is not considered that Governor Ritchie's views are in opposition to the Mayor's in the matter of several issues, especially prohibition.

The Parker House luncheon is at 1 o'clock and elaborate plans have been laid for the entertainment of the famous Maryland chief executive. He will arrive at 7:30 in the morning and will be entertained at breakfast by Governor Ely at the Copley-Plaza.

In the evening he will be the guest of the Clover Club at dinner.

Armistice Day Parade Over Downtown Route

The Board of Street Commissioners yesterday approved the route for the Armistice Day parade which will close parts of Washington and Tremont streets to traffic, although the Retail Trade Board recently voted to keep the Boston stores open downtown on the holiday.

Adjutant-General John H. Agnew will serve as chief marshal of the parade, starting at 9:30 o'clock at Arlington and Beacon streets and passing through Beacon, School, Washington streets, Temple place and Tremont and Boylston streets to the Common.

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DENOUNCE "OLD IRONSIDES" PLAN

Mayor Leads in Protest Against Proposal to Tie Up Famous Frigate in Baltimore



IN DRIVE FOR THE NAVY YARD

Part of the army of friends of the Charlestown Navy Yard shown on Park street yesterday as they sought names of New Englanders to prevent the closing of the yard. Left to right, Miss Celia Mulkern, Miss Eva McNaughton and Edward J. Walsh of the Navy Yard Chapter of the Disabled Veterans of America.

The very same backers who made it possible to place the frigate Constitution on the seas again with all the proud habiliments of her days of glory took up the cudgels in her behalf yesterday in an effort to prevent the announced plan of the Navy Department to tie her up in Baltimore.

MAYOR LEADS PROTEST

Mayor Curley led a great group of Boston civic leaders in denouncing the plan. Leaders who worked so hard to bring about the reconditioning of the old vessel threatened to re-enlist the great New England army who raised the money to raise her once again to "active" duty.

Joseph J. Hurley, chairman of the Boston school committee, declared the action of the naval authorities was a "flagrant piece of irreverence." He said the navy department was breaking faith with thousands of school children, who had placed their pennies at the disposal of the government when the plan was in jeopardy and the reconditioning work seemed destined for abandonment.

Richard S. Teeling, president of the Association for the Maintenance of the Boston Navy Yard, declared, last night, that the policy of the government was one of extreme short-sightedness. "Whatever money can be saved by such a move would be as well thrown away," he said. "The amount is so small that it amounts to practically nothing in the test of American love for the ideal which the Constitution represents.

Short-Sighted Policy

"One would think our country had become a miser when such a proposition is even broached. This cheap, short-sighted policy has gone far enough. It is time business men and the public generally step in and show in no uncertain terms that it cannot go on."

Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald declared Boston has an inalienable right to the Constitution, and he advocated that the great forces behind the fight to prevent the closing of the navy yard be pressed into service in behalf of "Old Ironsides."

Mayor Curley said that, in his opinion, every city and town in New England which had done so much to bring about the reconditioning of the old vesse should be pressed into service on her behalf now.

"Mass meetings should be held at once," he said, "to protest against the so-called economy order issued under the direction of President Hoover. The ship was reconditioned by money contributed by the patriotic children of the United States. 'Old Ironsides' is an American institution which should be preserved. If economies are to be made they should be made other than at the expense of patriotism."

PLAN UNDERWRITING OF 'MIRACLE' REVIVAL

Curley Discusses Project at City Club Luncheon

Mayor Curley yesterday invited the chamber of commerce, the retail trade board and the railroads to consider the wisdom of underwriting the expense incident to the proposed revival of "The Miracle" for a period of three weeks next March, in the Boston Garden.

The request was made at a luncheon at the City Club, attended by 50, at which Morris Gest, producer of the spectacle, outlined his plans and announced his intention of contributing the net proceeds of the revival to the unemployment relief fund.

Mr. Gest pointed out that if the plans are carried out, a twofold purpose will be served. Employment will be given to several hundred persons and the profits will benefit Boston's unemployed

RECORD 10/29/31

Mary Curley School Presented Flags by Civic League



State Flag

flags were presented Mary Curley school, Center st. and Pershing rd., Jamaica Plain, by Women's Patriotic and Civic League yesterday. Shown are, left to right, Mrs. M. A. Ford, Headmaster J. F. McGrath, Mayor J. M. Curley, Chairman J. J. Hurley, of school committee; Mrs. M. E. McNeil, league president. Mary Curley, mayor's daughter, is at left with Supt. J. A. Burke. School is named for late Mrs. Curley.

HERALD 10/29/31

CURLEY ENTERS SCHOOL FIGHT

Conry, Speaking for Mayor, Indorses Hurley, Tobin For Committee Posts

CANDIDATES HEARD AT ROXBURY MEETING

The injection of Mayor Curley into the hotly contested fight for the three places on the Boston school committee took place last night when Traffic Commissioner Joseph A. Conry, speaking for the mayor at a rally in the hall of the West Roxbury post of the American Legion, indorsed Chairman Joseph J. Hurley of the school committee and Maurice J. Tobin.

"Mayor Curley welcomes the closest scrutiny of all municipal expenditures," said Commissioner Conry. "He knows that the deeper the study made into city work by intelligent people, the warmer will be the approval sure to follow his efforts. This is the time to begin that study, that you may discuss the items of expenditures which will be incorporated in the city budget soon to be prepared.

"Many people regard the school committee as being somewhat ouside City Hall affairs, merely a matter of educating children, hiring teachers and building schoolhouses. There is a great deal more. A large expense is incurred which the school committee does not bear.

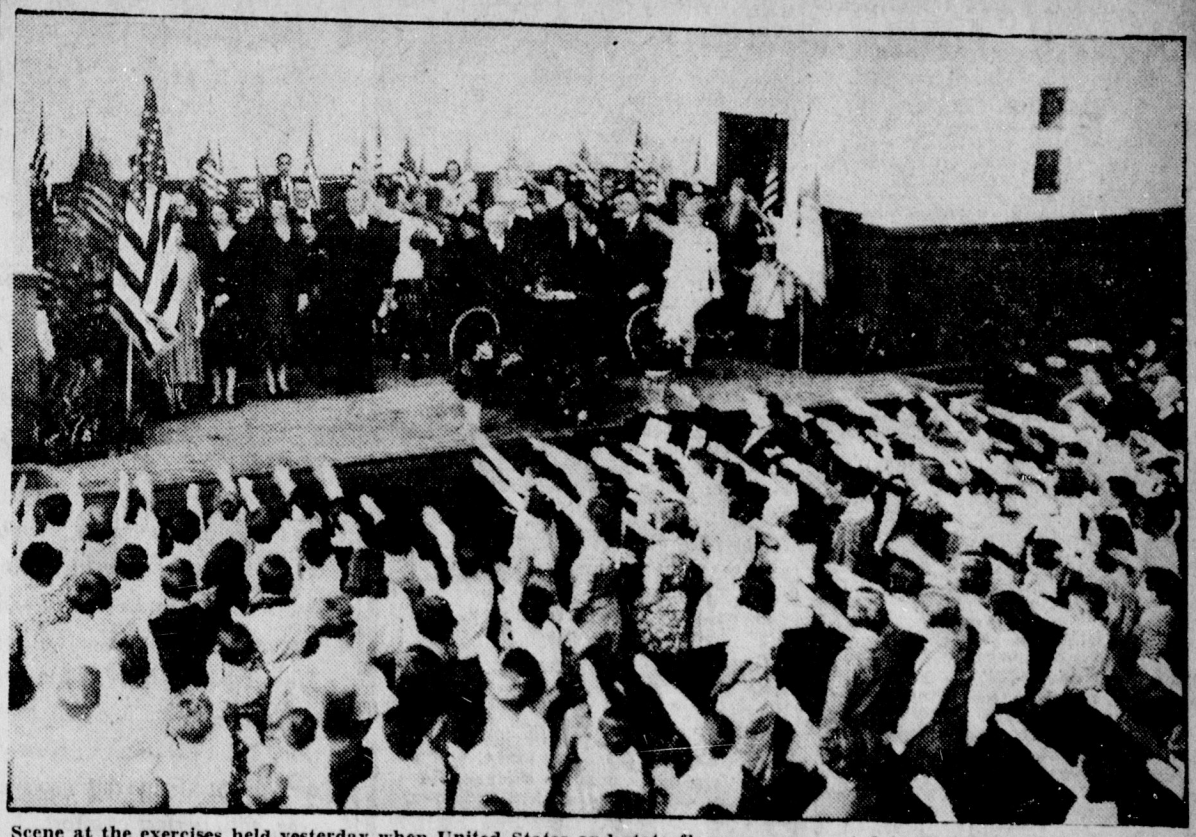
"Instead of being a thing apart, the schools should be operated in sympathy with all the other city departments. Mr. Hurley has shown a disposition to co-operate with the mayor and has received the praise of nearly all thinking citizens. Maurice Tobin is warmly recommended as one of your neighbors who will, if elected, maintain vigilance over the welfare of this West Roxbury district."

Hurley spoke, enumerated his qualifications, again answered Frank A. Goodwin's charge that he attended very few school committee hearings and said he inaugurated the plan of daily highway safety for the school children.

Tobin continued his attack on the portable schools and said that a ready solution would be to have the children occupy halls and auditoriums in regular schools located near the portable buildings. Mrs. Eugene McSweeney presided.

HERALD 10/29/31

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE AT MARY CURLEY SCHOOL



Scene at the exercises held yesterday when United States and state flags were presented to the Jamaica Plain school as tributes to departed members of Mayor Curley's family. The gift was made by the Women's Patriotic and Civic League.

FLAGS PRESENTED TO CURLEY SCHOOL

Mayor and Daughter Attend Exercises

Mayor Curley, his daughter Mary and members of the school committee were present yesterday at the presentation of 42 American flags and one state flag to the new Mary E. Curley School in Jamaica Plain, by the Women's Patriotic Civic League.

Each of the departed members of Mayor Curley's family was paid tribute by the presentation of a flag by the league. One flag will be displayed in each room of the school and the American and state flags will fly from the school staff. The flags were accepted for the city by Headmaster John F. McGrath of the school.

Speaking at the exercises Mayor Curley urged the pupils present to respect and obey their mothers. "The flag symbolizes everything worth while in the life of a nation," said Mayor Curley. "My beloved wife always taught her children to respect the flag as they would respect her.

"That brings to my mind to say to you children that you should always respect and obey your parents, especially your mothers, who are not always left with you long enough."

ACTS TO PREVENT USE OF CITY CARS AT POLLS

Dowd Asks Civil Service Head to Take Action

An appeal to Civil Service Commissioner Tierney to prevent the alleged contemplated use of city cars and chauffeurs in the municipal election Tuesday was made yesterday by Councilman John F. Dowd of Roxbury.

Mayor Curley released a copy of Dowd's request which read:

The city election for school committee and city council will take place, Tuesday, Nov. 3. The present city administration is quite determined to prevent certain members from being re-elected and I have been informed that orders have been issued to all department heads in the city of Boston to send all their city cars with city chauffeurs into certain wards on that day.

This is entirely against our city ordinance and against the laws and rules of the civil service to have city employes and city machines working for any political candidates. If you desire, I can supply you with all the registration numbers of cars which I understand are to be placed at work. I accordingly request your honorable commission to place four civil service inspectors in ward 8, Roxbury on that day.

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CHARGES CITY CARS MISUSED

Ordered Out to Work Against Candidates

Charging that city chauffeurs with municipal automobiles had been ordered to work at the polls next Tuesday to defeat certain members of the City Council who are seeking re-election, Councillor John F. Dowd of Roxbury last night appealed to the State Civil Service Commission to assign inspectors to the Ward 8 polling places to apprehend city workers violating the law.

"The present city administration is quite determined to prevent certain members from being re-elected," Dowd wrote to Chairman Paul E. Tierney, of the Civil Service Commission, "and I have been informed that orders have been issued to all of the department heads in the city of Boston to send all their city cars, with city chauffeurs, into certain wards on that day."

Chairman Tierney stated last night that the Dowd letter had not come before him officially, but expressed the opinion that "the Civil Service should not meddle in politics in any shape or manner."

Mayor Curley merely laughed at Dowd's charges.

RECORD 10/28/31

Jewish Fund Workers to Hear Curley

With a record attendance expected for the observance of "Mayor's Day," workers at today's campaign luncheon of the Associated Jewish Philanthropies, appealing for a relief fund of $615,000, will hear an address by Mayor Curley at the headquarters, 36 Summer st.

Contributions reported yesterday totalled $290,000, and today it is expected that the half-way mark in the drive will be passed. The highest amount turned in yesterday was $6000 by Edward Marcus of the Women's Wear team.

The meeting was addressed by Sidney Rabinowitz, who made a stirring appeal to the workers to put the drive "over the top" as speedily as possible. Brookline, Brighton and Allston districts, under the direction of Mrs. Max E. Bernkopf, received first honors in the women's division reports, accounting for $1502 in cash.

Last night Governor Ely and Dr. Charles F. Wilinsky, director of Beth Israel Hospital, in radio talks from Station WNAC, appealed to the community for greater support of the campaign to insure its success.

More than 250 will attend the annual Bench and Bar dinner at the Hotel Kenmore tonight, sponsored by the lawyers' division of the campaign, of which Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman is commander. Louis E. Kirstein and Harry Penn head the list of speakers.

HERALD 10/29/31

BALLOTS ARE READY FOR BOSTON ELECTION

The board of election commissioners and Superintendent of Police Crowley yesterday completed arrangements for distributing ballots, and guarding and conducting the city election Tuesday. A general order covering the subject was out last night to all police stations. The first ballots will leave the offices of the election commissioners at 4:45 A. M. and the last at 7 A. M., covering the 339 precincts in the city.

The order also instructs as to the work of officers in returning the ballot boxes to City Hall after the vote has been polled.

GLOBE 10/29/31

RITCHIE LUNCH WITHOUT CURLEY

Will Be Out of City, Mayor Explains

State Democrats to Fete Marylander Saturday

Although Mayor Curley had been announced as one of the speakers at the luncheon to be given Gov Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland by the Democratic State Committee at the Parker House Saturday, the Mayor will not be present, he said last night.

"No," said the Mayor, "I shall not attend the luncheon. I have an appointment out of town. I have had it a long time."

Mayor Curley's plans to be absent Saturday were learned last evening, a few minutes after the State Committee had given out the speaking program for the Ritchie luncheon, with the Mayor's name on the list, along with those of Gov Ely and United States Senators David I. Walsh and Marcus A. Coolidge.

Curley for Roosevelt

The Mayor, who from the first has been outspoken in support of the Presidential candidacy of Gov Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York, said he has not appointed anybody to represent him at the Ritchie luncheon. Thus far, Gov Ely, Senator Walsh and Chairman Frank J. Donahue of the Democratic State Committee have taken no position as regard Presidential aspirants.

Though Mayor Curley has declared for Roosevelt, Gov Ritchie's views, particularly on prohibition, are not believed to be at variance with the Mayor's.

Special interest attaches to Mayor Curley's announcement that he will not attend the Ritchie luncheon, as it was learned last night that leaders of the State Committee have under consideration a plan to elect a successor to the late Ex-Mayor Edward W. Quinn of Cambridge as Democratic National Committeeman at Saturday's function.

Ordinarily, business of this nature is transacted at a formal meeting. As as present constituted, a majority of the at present constituted, a majority of the State Committee is aligned with the Donahue wing of the party. Chair- mentioned as Ex-Mayor Quinn's successor.

Elaborate Preparations

Elaborate preparations have been made for Saturday's reception to Gov Ritchie.

He is scheduled to arrive here at 7:30 a m and to have breakfast with Gov Ely at the Copley-Plaza.

The Parker House luncheon is set for 1 p m. Chairman Donahue will preside at the luncheon. According to Vice Chairman Charles F. Riordan, the seating capacity of the dining room engaged for the luncheon is already practically taken.

In the evening Gov Ritchie is to be the guest of the Clover Club at dinner.

DOWD CHARGES PLAN TO MISUSE CITY CARS

Warns That They Will Be Electioneering Tuesday

Charging that city cars and city chauffeurs will be thrown into certain Boston wards by the administration to aid preferred candidates and assist in the defeat of others, Councilor John F. Dowd of Ward 8 has appealed to the Civil Service Commission, asking that four inspectors be placed in his ward on election day, Tuesday.

The Councilor's letter to Chairman Paul E. Tierney of the Civil Service Commission at the State House follows:

"The city election for School Committee and City Council will take place on Tuesday, Nov 3. The present city administration is quite determined to prevent certain members from being reelected, and I have been informed that orders have been issued to all of the department heads in the city of Boston to send all their city cars, with city chauffeurs, into certain wards on that day.

"This is entirely against our city ordinances and against the laws and rules of the Civil Service to have city employes and city machines working for any political candidate. If you desire, I can supply you with all the registration numbers of cars which I understand are to be placed at work.

"I accordingly request your honorable commission to place four Civil Service inspectors in Ward 8, Roxbury District, on that day."

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JEWISH WORKERS HEAR CURLEY

Mayor Addresses Luncheon Meeting of Associated Philanthropies

PASS HALF-WAY MARK IN $615,000 CAMPAIGN

With more than 800 volunteer workers taxing the capacity of campaign headquarters, 36 Summer street, at the third report luncheon yesterday noon, Mayor James M. Curley delivered a stirring address in the interests of the $615,000 drive of the Associated Jewish Philanthropies. Louis E. Kirstein, president, introduced the mayor and Albert A. Ginzberg, president of the Beth Israel Hospital presided. Judge Jacob J. Kaplan, campaign vice-chairman, also addressed the workers.

The fund total passed the half-way mark following the best reports turned in by team captains since the opening of the campaign. Contributions turned in yesterday amounted to $33,535 bringing the grand total up to $321,980 to date, Max E. Wyzanski, campaign treasurer, announced. First to go over the top are the industrial bankers and paper teams under the captaincy of Joshua S. Lipkin and Samuel L. Ginsburg, respectively.

Paying tributes to the leadership of Mr. Kirstein in "this most worthy of movements" the mayor said:

"The real difficulty with drives this year is that the generous hearted men and women have long passed the exhaustion point in the matter of giving. Many of those who contributed in the past are unable to give this year and are actually applicants for aid themselves this year."

"If every nationality had as little regard for the 'hotel' at Deer Island as the Jewish race, we could save about $300,000 a year. But the 'hotel' has become very popular and no one wants to leave it. We have 150 more there than ever before.

"There are 12,080 patients in the City Hospital. I have no doubt that one in every 20 are there with self-inflicted wounds. They even break an arm or a leg or slash themselves in order to get a place to sleep and some food to eat."

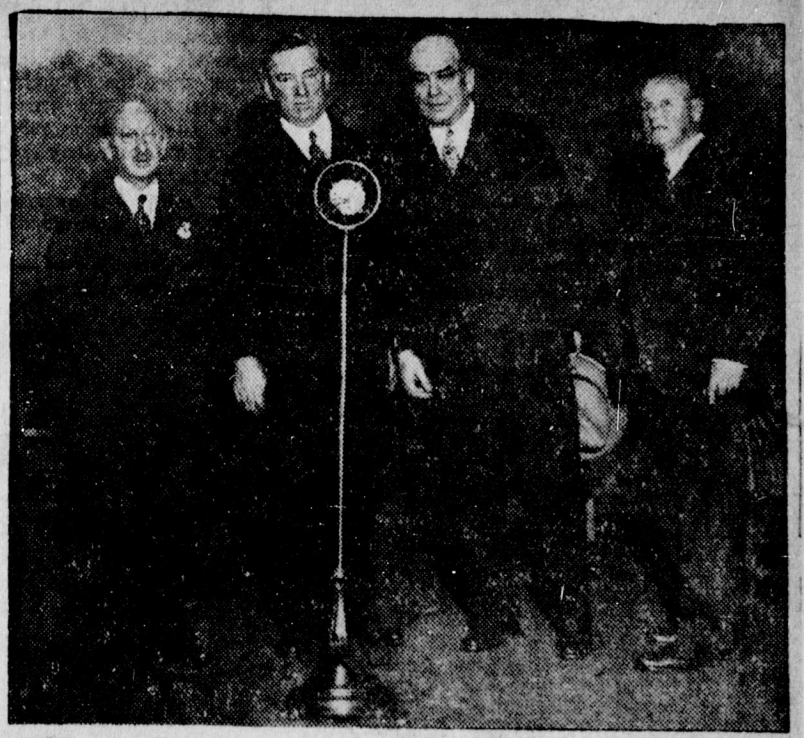
Eddie Casey, Harvard football coach, and Bill Cunningham of the Boston Post will speak at the Football day luncheon at headquarters today, David M. Watchmaker, chairman of the speakers' bureau, stated. Results of the bench and bar dinner which took place at the Hotel Kenmore last night will be announced by Samuel Markell, captain of the lawyers' team.

J. L. Wiseman addressed two gatherings in behalf of the campaign yesterday. With Mrs. Hyman Freiman, chairman of the women's division, he addressed nearly 100 women workers of the Roxbury district at the Y. M. H. A., 108 Seaver street, at noon. Last night Mr. Wiseman spoke before more than 300 members of the Temple Ohabei Shalom Brotherhood. Harold Lipkin, president, announced a contribution of $250 for the brotherhood, an increase of $100 over last year's subscription.

Among the larger contributions announced last night were Mr. and Mrs. I. Dimond, $1200; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Lowe and an anonymous gift of $1000, Marks Brothers, an increase from $450 to $750, Markson Brothers $600, and $500 each from William Feinberg and Samuel Vorenberg.

Eighty-five contributions of $100 each were also announced from the following: Theresa R. Adlow, Michael Alperin, American Tube Works, Anonymous, Dr. Saul Berman, Mrs. David Bernkopf, Best Shoe Company, Sam Bornstein, Harry K. Brilliant.

MAYOR ADDRESSES JEWS



Mayor Curley yesterday spoke to 800 workers at the Associated Jewish Philanthropies campaign luncheon. Left to right: Albert A. Ginzberg, president of Beth Israel Hospital, Mayor Curley, Louis E. Kirstein, president A. J. P., and Henry Penn, campaign chairman.

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O'HARE INSTALLED AS CHIEF RANGER

James M. Curley Jr Court, M. C. O. F., Ceremonies

In the presence of an audience that packed the main ballroom of the Hotel Statler, William G. O'Hare, penal institutions commissioner of the city of Boston, was installed last night as chief ranger of the James M. Curley Jr Court, M. C. O. F.—the court founded by the eldest son of the Mayor shortly before his death.

Inducted into office with Mr O'Hare were Philip F. Kenney, vice ranger; Paul Murphy, financial secretary; Catharine Roach, recording secretary; Thomas Gemelli, treasurer; Mary McGillicuddy, senior conductor; Lillian L. Burke, junior conductor; J. Irving Black, inside sentinel, and Cornelius Murphy, outside sentinel. Mr O'Hare chose James Tobin, secretary to Mayor Curley, as his marshal. The installing officer was Francis Brennan, deputy high chief ranger of the Massachusetts Court.

Mr O'Hare succeeds Miss Grace Killiam as chief ranger. During the installation ceremonies, City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan, chairman of the court's trustees, addressed the gathering. Dancing followed.

In the 20 months the James M. Curley Jr. Court has been in existence, the membership has increased until it numbers more than 850.

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WOMEN'S PATRIOTIC AND CIVIC LEAGUE GIVES FLAGS TO MARY E. CURLEY SCHOOL



FLAG PRESENTATION AT MARY E. CURLEY SCHOOL

Left to Right—Miss Mary Curley, Dr Jeremiah E. Burke, Margaret Ford, John F. McGrath, master; Mayor Curley, Joseph J. Hurley, chairman of School Committee; Mrs Mary E. McNeil.

Mayor James M. Curley and heads of city departments were among those attending the presentation of the first set of flags to the new Mary E. Curley School, Center st, Jamaica Plain, yesterday. The flags were the gift of the Women's Patriotic and Civic League.

Heading the 200 members of the league present, was Mrs Mary E. McNeill, president, who gave the flags to John F. McGrath, the new school's headmaster. Mr McGrath presided and accepted the emblems on behalf of the school and the schoolchildren.

The gift consists of a large American flag, a State banner, and 40 smaller flags to be placed in the different classrooms. Each flag was given to honor the memory of some deceased person, and among those commemorated are Mrs Curley, the late James M. Curley Jr, Dorothea Curley, and the Curley twins.

After the presentation, the Mayor spoke on "Motherhood," expressing his gratitude for the naming of the school after his late wife, "a wonderful woman and a devoted mother."

Washington, Lincoln and Theodore Roosevelt were held up by the Mayor as examples for the schoolchildren of today to follow. He cited the patience of Washington, the kindness and charity of Lincoln, and Roosevelt's undying love for his country.

In conclusion the Mayor stated that he will soon present the school with a city flag.

Dr Jeremiah E. Burke, superintendent of Boston Public Schools, spoke on "Love"—love for "our families, for our country, and for our flag."

Another speaker was Joseph J. Hurley, chairman of the Boston School Committee.

Among the prominent guests present were Mrs Elizabeth L. MacNamara, past president, U. S. W. V.; Mrs Agnes H. Parker, past national president, Woman's Relief Corps; Mrs Elizabeth Pigeon, Boston School Committee; Alexander Sullivan, superintendent of supplies, School Department, and C. D. A. Hourin, organizer of Women's Patriotic and Civic League.

Among the officers of the league present were Pres McNeill, Mrs Joanna R. O'Connell, senior vice president; Mrs Kathleen Galvin, junior vice president; Mrs Frances M. Eugina, secretary; Thebe Hoar, treasurer, and Mrs Theresa Galvin, chaplain.

After the ceremonies, the members of the league made a visit of inspection through the school building.

The musical program, under direction of John A. O'Shea, started with the singing of "America the Beautiful." The "Salute to the Flag" was given by the schoolchildren present, and the program ended with the singing of the national anthem by the entire body.

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SUGGESTS LABOR TAKE 20 PERCENT WAGE CUT

Codman Starts Debate at Curley's Conference on Unemployment Problems

The suggestion that building trades laborers voluntarily come forward and take a 20 percent cut in wages, offered by R. S. Codman to Mayor Curley's conference today of financial, commercial, nidustrial and labor experts on unemployment problems, turned what was scheduled to be a cooperative effort toward solution into an acrid debate between the employer and the laborer.

James T. Moriarty, State president of the A. F. of L., upheld labor in the argument, and fired a few hot shots at Mr Codman's project, asking that one employer be produced who could guarantee that a 20 percent cut would result in increased activity in the building trades.

The contention developed at the outset of the meeting called at City Hall. R. S. Codman stated that since the purchasing power of the dollar was so much greater at the present time than it had been for years labor should come forward, particularly in the building trades, and accept a 20 percetn cut in wages. He stated that it was his opinion that labor should voluntarily come step out and take this cut.

Codman argued that the stagger system of employing one crew three days an danother three days to spread employment opportunity had proved to be inefficient in the opinion of contractors, and that such a system is not a solution of unemployment.

Codman stated that laborers in the building trades were receiving pay of $1.50 an hour, $1.75 an hour and $2 an hour. He contended that if the 20 percent cut in wages was effected on jobs where 100 men are now employed there would be employment for 150 to 200 men.

He asked that the cut be accepted as of Nov 1 and continued to May 13 as a trial.

Moriarty Takes Issue

Moriarty immediately took issue with Codman. He said that it was his understanding that the meeting was called to establish an organization which would do something to take care of unemployment and he expressed surprise at the Codman suggestion. The labor leader denied that any man in the building trades was receiving pay of $2 an hour. Moriarty stated that the contracts now in effect between employers and laborers had been asked for by the employers for a period of three years and that these employers had building contracts based on the present wage scales and on the present building program.

Answering a statement of Mr Codman that building programs had been held up by the high cost of labor and that there would be more general building activity except for the high cost of labor, Moriarty said that there was not a single building project which had been held up. He asked Codman to produce one owner or one architect who could assure the laborer that building activity would be increased if there was a decrease in salary. He asked that an owner or architect be produced with new building projects which would show an indication of more building activity.

A decrease in wages, Moriarty argued, would result only in greater profit to the employers who have already made their contracts based on the prevailing scale. The labor head said building costs were cheaper per cubic foot now than they were in 1921.

Curley's Attitude

Mayor Curley stated that he would like to see a committee formulated to spread work and stabilize labor. He suggested an honor of employers who had not discharged any men in this depression and had not cut wages. He suggested a supplementary honor roll of employers who would agree that they would not discharge any help this Winter and not cut wages.

Chairman Phillips of the State Committee on Unemployment suggested that Boston should appoint a representative committee of business men, church people, financial men and members of women's clubs to act in the unemployment situation. It was his suggestion that the Mayor appoint such a committee

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Funeral on Saturday in Dorchester

Funeral services for Supt. of Schools Jeremiah E. Burke, whose sudden death yesterday saddened the entire city, will be held tomorrow at St. Mark's church, Dorchester, with notables throughout the state attending to pay a final tribute.



Supt. Burke

A solemn high mass of requiem will be celebrated at the church, at an hour to be announced.

Throughout the day, hundreds thronged the Ashmont home of the late superintendent of Boston schools, who since 1901 has served the public schools of Boston, and who has been the leader of the school system since 1921.

From men in highest positions in civic and business circles, tributes were paid to Supt. Burke, whose career as one of the recognized leaders of education in the United States was cut short by his untimely death.

The superintendent was stricken after he had made his last speech in the service of Boston schools—at the exercises of acceptance of the new Mary E. Curley school in Jamaica Plain last Wednesday. He was removed to his home, suffering an attack of acute indigestion. Early yesterday he was found dead in his bed by his son, Edmund.

"The death of Dr. Jeremiah Edmund Burke, superintendent of Boston schools, marks the passing of one of the ablest leaders in the field of national education," Mayor Curley said.

"His devoted service in the Boston public schools gave to our city a reputation in the field of education superior to that enjoyed by any metropolitan city of the United States."

SERIOUS LOSS

Chairman Joseph J. Hurley of the Boston school committee paid the following tribute:

"The Boston public schools and the cause of education suffer a serious loss in the untimely death of the superintendent, Dr. Jeremiah E. Burke. Dr. Burke gave the best years of his life to the children of the public schools."

The Boston school committee meeting in special session after learning of Dr. Burke's death yesterday, drew up resolutions to hold commemorative exercises today in every school in Boston at 1:30 p. m., to be followed by dismissal of all pupils.

Arrangements were also under way for memorial services to be conducted by the teaching force of the Boston school system, and for a special tribute to the services of Dr. Burke.

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Presents Her Book to Mayor



(Photo by Warren Colby)

Betty Boyd Bell, Eleven Years Old, Gives Mayor Curley Autograph Copy of "Circus" and Is Given a Trip to the Zoo, Franklin Park

DURING eight summers Betty Boyd Bell, eleven years old, of 242 Jamaicaway, traveled with the Barnum and Bailey-Ringling Brothers circus with her father, who was press representative. With girlish enthusiasm she studied all manner of circus life, became enthusiastic over the animals and resolved to write a book.

The publication, "Circus," has recently come from the press, and one of the first copies was today presented by the youthful author to Mayor Curley at City Hall. The mayor complimented her highly on her achievement and, learning that she had never seen the zoo in Franklin Park, though living nearby, invited her to make a visit there this afternoon.

Miss Bell is in the seventh grade of the Seegar school, Jamaica Plain, an exceptionally bright student and interested in out-door sports. She told the mayor that she had seen so many animals that perhaps she would not get a thrill out of the zoo, but would be glad to be escorted there by Park Commissioner William P. Long. She announced that, this afternoon, from two to four o'clock, she would autograph all copies of her book sold in the book department of Jordan Marsh Company. On her visit to the mayor's office, she was accompanied by Miss Janette Mabie, who edited the book.

GLOBE 10/30/31

PARKER QUITS WHITE FUND

Resigns as Trustee After Two Years' Service

Herbert Parker, former Attorney General of Massachusetts and for two years a member of the board of trustees of the George Robert White fund, today resigned from the board.

Robert G. Dodge, who succeeded Mr Parker as president of the Boston Bar Association, automatically succeeds Mr Parker on the board of the George Robert White fund.

Mayor James M. Curley, Joseph McGrath, Rupert S. Carven and Henry I. Harriman of the board of trustees gave out the following statement:

"The trustees of the George Robert White Fund, moved with keen regret in the automatic retirement of our co-trustee, Hon Herbert Parker, desire to express our deepest appreciation of the invaluable service he has rendered the city of Boston during his membership on this board in the period Oct 5, 1929-Oct 10, 1931. By his broad humanitarianism, his solicitude for the sick and needy, his unswerving optimism, faith and devotion to the highest ideals, he has been a constant inspiration to us, privileged to share his labors.

"With a long and brilliant record of unselfish service in behalf of Nation, State and city, this distinguished son of Massachusetts, loved and loving, stands forth in the community as a radiant and illustrious example of splendid American citizenship.

"While deeply regretting his retirement, we are proud indeed of the intimate association with which he has honored us, and in extending to him our assurance of respect and affection, we voice the earnest prayer that he may be long spared in his noble career, and that all his days be fruitful and joyous ones, replete with health, happiness and prosperity."

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PARKER RETIRES AS FUND TRUSTEE

Atty. Herbert Parker today retired as trustee of the George Robert White fund, and in recognition of his many years of service Mayor Curley presented him with a large basket of flowers.

Under provision of the White will the president of the Boston Bar Association is one of the trustees, and it was while head of this association that Parker performed the duties as trustee. He has been succeeded as president of the legal body by Atty. Robert G. Dodge, who also becomes a White fund trustee.

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Curley Absence Will Relieve Some "Strain"

Inability to Attend Ritchie Luncheon Averts Possible "Delicate Situation"

By William F. Furbush

Mayor Curley's announcement that he would not attend the luncheon to be given Saturday in the Parker House by the Democratic State Committee in honor of Governor Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland has relieved the concern of some of the luncheon promoters who visualized the possibility of a "delicate situation." Familiar with the mayor's oratorical ability to capture the spotlight and aware of his strong support of Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt for the Democratic presidential nomination, they were speculating whether he would reluctantly refrain from a Roosevelt boost.

The mayor's advocacy of the Roosevelt cause has been so strong that discussion in some circles at one time included him as a possible vice presidential running-mate with Roosevelt, and there is discussion now which includes him as likely for consideration for a cabinet post in the event of a Roosevelt convention and election success.

It is pointed out, however, that the records do not show the mayor as opposed to Governor Ritchie's views on several issues, especially prohibition. There also is the consideration that former Secretary of War Newton D. Baker, in the opinion of many in the party, may capture the Democratic presidential nomination and that Governor Ritchie may be his running-mate on the ticket, in the event that Governor Roosevelt's admitted strength at present wanes to the point that he cannot win the necessary two-thirds vote in the coming convention.

The mayor's presence at the head table Saturday as one of the companion speakers with Governor Ritchie, Governor Ely and United States Senators David I Walsh and Marcus A. Coolidge would have been interesting, according to observers, in view of the fact that Chairman Frank J. Donahue of the State committee, with whom the mayor was not on terms approaching friendship in the last State election, also is scheduled to preside over the forensics. It was recognized that there could have been a degree of embarrassment when it came time for Chairman Donahue to make the formal introductions of the speakers, but there was hope that all concerned would grasp the opportunity for a general reconciliation for the good of the party in the coming campaign battles.

Foils Chance of "Make-up"

The mayor's decision not to attend the meeting, due, he announced, to the fact that he has for a long time had an out-of-town appointment on Saturday not only dissipates the concern of a few, but it also disappoints others who had visions of a "make-up" party.

The mayor's declination takes on added interest because the State Committee has under consideration holding a meeting Saturday for the election of a successor to the late former Mayor Edward W. Quinn of Cambridge as Democratic National Committeeman from Massachusetts, with strong likelihood, as previously indicated, that Chairman Donahue will be the choice. Whether Mayor Curley has given serious thought to the possibility of succeeding his former friend, Mayor Quinn, as committeeman has not appeared in the records, but his name has been included among those mentioned for the position.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the reception of Governor Ritchie whose visit is expected to give impetus to the Ritchie-for-President movement in this State under the leadership of Vice Chairman Charles F. Riordan of the State Committee, who has charge of the luncheon details. Mr. Riordan, who will be the visiting governor's personal escort during his busy program here, including a breakfast to be given in his honor by Governor Ely at the Copley Plaza and a dinner by the Clover Club Saturday night, announces that applications for tickets for the luncheon indicated that there will be an attendance of 350, the capacity of the dining hall. Governor Ritchie is scheduled to arrive in the city at 7.29 Saturday morning from New York, where he will deliver an address the previous evening.

Theaters to Give Shows for Jobless

Under the leadership of Mayor Curley plans are in progress for the National Motion Picture Industries' benefit performances, to be held in every theater in Boston at midnight on Friday, Nov. 20. The performances will be conducted in conjunction with the national unemployment relief program sponsored by President Hoover's committee on unemployment. The central committee in Boston is headed by G. Ralph Branton, chairman; James J. McGuinness, secretary; Al Somerby, treasurer; Victor J. Morris, Harry MacDonald and Morris Wolf.

Mayor Curley's contribution starts with a sound trailer, to be shown at all theaters, in which he urges every citizen to do his utmost in aid of the local welfare funds which will provide this winter for those in need.

Sixty-six theaters in Boston will hold the donation performances. The committee in charge of arrangements asks the co-operation of all individuals and organizations sympathetic to the movement, in selling tickets for the performances. Receipts from the special performances will be turned over to Mayor Curley's committee for the aid of the unemployed.

CURLEY LAUDS DR BURKE'S DEVOTION TO SERVICE

Mayor Curley's tribute to Supt Burke follows:

"The death of Dr Jeremiah Edmund Burke, superintendent of the Boston public schools, marks the passing of one of the ablest leaders in the field of national education.

"His wife has lost a devoted husband, his children a kindly father, the field of education an able leader, and I have lost a friend whose friendship I prized.

"Beginning as superintendent of schools at Waterville, Me, in 1891, he gave 40 continuous years to devising school curriculums along the most liberal and progressive lines, and his devoted service in the Boston public schools gave to our city a reputation in the field of education superior to that enjoyed by any metropolitan city of the United States.

"Dr Burke had served with great loyalty and fidelity, the Boston public schools since 1904 and gave to his important labors a singular and beautiful devotion.

"He was a man of the highest culture, insight and charm. His modest and unassuming manner, his devotion to everyone within his large circle of friends, his willingness to constantly journey near and far to lecture on the most advanced and modern methods of education, his strength of purpose and kindliness of spirit, marked a gentleman whose contribution to the life of the city and its educational interests represented a public servant of the highest devotion and caliber.

"He labored for the city of Boston with a sincerity which was the pride and admiration of all men.

"May Almighty God in his infinite and merciful Providence rest the soul of my dear friend forever in eternal peace."

MAYOR CURLEY'S TRIBUTE TO JOHN McENTEE BOWMAN

Mayor Curley's tribute to his cherished friend, John McEntee Bowman of New York, one of the best-known hotel men in the world, who died yesterday, were contained in a letter to Mrs Bowman yesterday. The Mayor said:

"I deeply mourn with you in the passing of your beloved husband, the leader of the hotel industry in the United States, and whose life was marked by a lofty patriotism and devoted service to the interests of his fellowmen.

"From the time of Mr Bowman's beginning of the Hotel Biltmore, upon New Year's eve in 1913, he welcomed to his hostelry leaders in every profession and industry throughout the world with a grace and charm unrivaled in the hotel world.

"His service in the Food Administration of the United States during the World War was so important in its character that he wore worthily the decorations of the French and Belgium Governments.

"His love of mankind was beautifully illustrated in his devotion to the wounded American soldiers in the World War. It would be indeed difficult to visualize a greater human service than that of Mr Bowman in rehabilitating and placing upon the pathway of life young men who had been inmates of our prisons.

"The loss of Mr Bowman is irreparable, for he was the friend and supporter of every righteous cause.

"May Almighty God in His infinite mercy grant to his soul eternal

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Codman Hurls Wage Bomb in Curley's Party

Real Estate Man Asks 20 P. C. Reduction in Building Trades Rates

Speed Construction

Labor Head Resents Dragging in Controversy at Meeting to Help Unemployment

Suggestion by Russell S. Codman, real estate operator at 50 Congress street, that the buildings trades accept a reduction of 20 per cent in wages, to permit the starting of many building projects now held up because of high costs, was an unexpected sensation at Mayor Curley's unemployment conference held in the auditorium of the Boston City Club this afternoon, at which more than 150 persons were present.

With suppressed emotion, James T. Moriarty, president of the Massachusetts branch of the American Federation of Labor, denounced the dragging in of wage troubles as being contrary to the spirit of the meeting, and challenged Mr. Codman to name a single project that was not being advanced normally. He declared that a building trades committee appointed a week ago to meet employers on the question of wages had been unable to obtain from them any data to support the contention that the wages should be reduced in order to place more men at work.

Mr. Moriarty's assertion that, if wages were now reduced, the contractors who have signed up on construction jobs at prevailing rates would be the real gainers, for all contracts had been figured on the prevailing rates This suggestion aroused the ire of Matthew Cummings, prominent contractor and member of the Building Trades Employers' Association, who declared that Mr. Moriarty knew that the statement was untrue, inasmuch as it was common knowledge that honest contractors are having a most serious time in meeting the figures of competitors who employ union labor at non-union wages—carpenters at $5 a day and laborers at $3.

The conference had been proceeding quietly before Mr. Codman arose, at the invitation of the mayor. for suggestions. Mr. Curley had reviewed his efforts to speed up construction of municipal projects and had said that if employers generally did their share he would have no apprehension for the winter. "I want a better spirit of co-operation," the mayor declared. He referred to the football game in the Stadium on Thanksgiving Day, the suggestion that Symphony concerts be held in the Boston Garden on Sunday evenings and Morris Gest's desire to resurrect "The Miracle," all for the benefit of the unemployed. Then he introduced William Phillips, chairman of Governor Ely's emergency committee on unemployment.

Should Harness Good Will

Mr. Phillips reviewed what he had already done to lay the groundwork of a State-wide organization, letters having been sent to every city and town for data. He praised the city's welfare department for its work last winter under overwhelming odds, and also the city's unemployment bureau. Continuing, he remarked: "I am much impressed with the great amount of good will floating about. Everybody seems to be wanting to help. What we should do is to harness all this good will and to co-ordinate our efforts for the best advantage. He hoped there would be a city committee, with the mayor at the head and representatives of all sorts of activities. The first thing to do, as he saw it, was the spreading of work, which means the stabilizing of labor; the second task is that of job-finding.

Mr. Phillips's suggestion for the central committee in the city was adopted by vote, which led the mayor to suggest that it was time to adopt an honor roll for those employers of labor who have not discharged help or reduced wages and another honor roll for those who promise not to discharge men or reduce wages during the winter.

Codman Speaks

It was at this point that Mr. Codman rose from the center of the hall with his suggestion, admitting at the outset that to inject a controverial feature. He told of making the wage reduction suggestion to the State committee last year and of receiving no consideration. Seriously, he declared, as the cost of living had been greatly reduced and as everybody wants to see labor employed, labor should do its share willingly to help itself.

"I do not think the building trades have done their share. A 20 per cent reduction in wages at this time would help wonderfully, and undoubtedly there are many projects long held up on account of high costs that would start up. All contractors with whom I have talked are anxious to see this reduction made."

William H. Brdigham of Newton then suggested that the mayor's committee to be appointed ascertain from contractors how many projects have been held up on account of high costs, mentioning the fact that in Niagara Falls wages had been reduced in order to secure more work.

Mr. Moriarty spoke of the signing of the new wage scale in the building trades last April with the promise that labor stabilization would follow. But it has not, he said. After denouncing the suggestion, he remarked that labor would likely refuse to assist the unemployment committee if the question of regulating wages is brought into meetings like that.

After Mathew Cummings had denounced the policy of certain conrtcators in not paying union wages, which gavo Boston practically an open shop, a man rose in the back tier of seats and demanded a hearing,. The mayor, who presided. had stopped the discussion of wages, after repeated attempts to renew it. The man gave his name as Samuel Squibb, member of the Granite Cutters' Union, Quincy.

At first he was not permitted to speak, but when the mayor saw that he was about to criticize the Post Office contracts, he was permitted to proceed. His principal complaint was that though some of the granite work for the building is to be supplied in Quincy, no decision has been reached yet as to the quarry and as a result the granite cutters are loafing.

Parker Quits Board of White Trustees

At a regular meeting of the board of trustees of the Robert G. White Fund, at City Hall today, Herbert Parker, a member for the last two years by virtue of his position as president of the Bar Association of the city of Boston, retired from membership and presented his successor, Robert G. Dodge.

Mayor Curley presented Mr. Parker with a basket of flowers and complimented him on his faithful service. Judge Edward L. Logan, manager of the fund, then presented Mr. Parker with embossed resolutions, expressive of the deep appreciation of the trustees for the "invaluable service" he had rendered the city.

"By his broad humanitarianism, his solicitude for the sick and needy, his unswerving optimism, faith and devotion to the highest ideals, he has been a constant inspiration to us, privileged to share his labors," the resolutions read.

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HITS DISHONEST CONTRACTORS

Matthew Cummings Sees Either Reform or Open Shop in City

An open shop in the building trades of this city within three months was predicted by Matthew Cummings, one of the city's leading contractors, today unless building trades halt the guerrilla warfare which is now wrecking this line of business.

His prediction was made during a luncheon at the City club, called by Mayor Curley for discussing the subject of unemployment relief. Cummings also charged that dishonest contractors who employed union men at non-union scales of pay lay at the root of the matter.

Cummings stated flatly that many contractors paid their men in envelopes marked with the proper scale of pay, but that these envelopes cotained money below scale. The correction of the practice, he said, lay in the hands of the unions themselves, and honest contractors were finding it imposible to meet such copetition.

He said that carpenters by the score were willing to work for $40 per week, while the average laborer would take employment at from 35 to 40 cents an hour. If such practices continue, he said, either the open shop will come in or the reputable builders will be driven out.

His statements came on the heels of a controversy between R. S. Codman, who advocated a 20 per cent. cut in wages throughout the building trades, and President James T. Moriarty of the state branch, American Federation of Labor.

Moriarty insisted that the present scale of pay be maintained, and defied those present to prove that any building project in the city had been held up or delayed because of the high costs of construction. Cummings then launched his attack.

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WHEN BURKE WAS STRICKEN

SUPT. J. E. BURKE



MISS MARY CURLEY MISS MARGARET FORD

It was while he attended services incident to the acceptance of flags at the new Mary E. Curley school in Jamaica Plain, yesterday, that Supt. of Schools Jeremiah E. Burke was stricken with indigestion. He died in his sleep at his home in Dorchester. Miss Curley, in honor of whose mother the school is named, Supt. Burke and Miss Ford are shown as they listened to an address by Mayor Curley. The photo is the last one ever made of Supt. Burke. (Staff photo.)

TRAVELER 10/30/31

MAYOR PAYS BURKE TRIBUTE

Death Marks the Passing of Education's Great Man, Declares Curley

Mayor Curley paid the following tribute to Dr. Burke:

"The death of Jeremiah Edmund Burke, superintendent of the Boston public schools, marks the passing of one of the ablest leaders in the field of national education.

"His wife has lost a devoted husband, his children a kindly father, the field of education an able leader, and I have lost a friend whose friendship I prized.

"Beginning as superintendent of schools at Waterville, Me., in 1891, he gave 40 continuous years to devising school curricula along the most liberal and progressive lines, and his devoted service in the Boston public schools gave to our city in the field of education superiority to that enjoyed by any metropolitan city of the United States.

"Dr. Burke had served with great loyalty and fidelity the Boston public schools since 1904 and gave to his important labors a singular and beautiful devotion.

"He was a man of the highest culture, insight and charm. His modest and unassuming manner, his devotion to everyone with his large circle of friends, his willing to constantly journey near and far to lecture on the most advanced and modern methods of education his strength of purpose and kindliness of spirit marked a gentleman whose contribution to the life of the city and its educational interests represented a public servant of the highest devotion and calibre.

"He labored for the city of Boston with a sincerity which was the pride and admiration of all men.

"May Almighty God in his infinite and merciful providence rest the soul of my dear friend forever in eternal peace."

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Joseph P. Cox of Ward 20 has two, and Councilor Robert B. Farley of Ward 21 has seven, while in Ward 22, Brighton, Councilor Edward M. Gallagher has one opponent in John J. Boyle. No member of the council fighting for re-election has received such abundant testimonials of esteem as Mr. Gallagher, who has represented the district at City Hall for the last four years, and who probably would have been elected president of the City Council this year if his illness had not induced him to refuse a nomination.

AMERICAN 10/31/31

66 THEATERS COMPLETE PLAN FOR BENEFIT

Midnight Shows on Nov. 20 Arranged; Every Cent Goes to City Jobless Fund

Plans have been completed by the 66 motion picture theaters of Boston to aid the unemployed of the city by giving midnight shows on Nov. 20.

A midnight performance of the current show, with regular prices prevailing, will be given in each theater, with every cent of the proceeds to go to Mayor Curley's fund for the unemployed.

Musicians, ushers and all other attaches have agreed to donate their services, and there will be no "expense account." Managers will charge the prices which prevail at their houses, and complete performances will be given.

Mayor Curley has placed the official seal of his approval on the project, and is offering every aid possible.

Tickets are to be placed on sale far in advance, and it is expected that many organizations will purchase blocks for their employes. Many persons, who will be unable to attend the shows, are expected to buy tickets to help the cause.

A sales campaign has been prepared, and committees are now at work in conjunction with the national plan of the Motion Picture Theatres of America.

Efforts are being made to make the midnight shows benefit as the biggest thing of its kind yet given, and it is hoped that more money will be obtained for the unemployed in this manner than in any other way.

AMERICAN 10/31/31

Curley on Navy, Debts

Upbuilding vs. Downbuilding

"Everything America has and hopes to have may be traced to the protection which has been given and which can be given our country in the future by a powerful Navy."

So said Mayor Curley in his latest radio broadcast.

Mayor Curley is invariably in good voice.

But his logic is more reliable when he discusses the UPBUILDING of our country's first line of defense than when he discusses the DOWNBUILDING of the debts owed to us by foreign nations.

If, instead of welshing, they had paid these debts like honorable men among honorable men, America could have had the powerful navy which Mayor Curley says America needs WITHOUT AN ADDITIONAL PENNY OF TAXES UPON THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

If they had paid these debts, instead of running out on their I. O. U.'s, like cheap sports who head for the poor debtor's court, there would have been no talk of these government "economies" which threaten to close the Charlestown Navy Yard and throw 2000 employes out of work.

Americans want a great navy, not to make war upon others but to stop others from making war upon us.

Americans want these war debts paid. More than half of them have been canceled by public officials who can be over-generous with other people's money when it does not come out of their own pockets. At least the balance should be paid. And without further quibbling abroad.

Mayor Curley ought to say so the next time he speaks. It is statesmanship to change one's views in the light of new facts. Especially when you change them in favor of your own country.

TRAVELER 10/31/31

In Every Boston Theatre

INDIVIDUALS and organizations in Boston interested in aiding the unemployed can get back of Mayor Curley's plan for one great benefit to be held Nov. 20 when every theatre in Boston will hold a midnight show, the proceeds to go to the needy.

President Hoover's committee on unemployment asked the various industries and professions to help in a nation-wide stride towards better things. The National Motion Pictures Industries responds with its most powerful means, use of all its facilities for charity's sake.

In every theatre the length and breadth of the city at midnight, benefit shows will start. It is to be a Friday night, chosen as best for all concerned, particularly for the audiences.

Naturally, thousands of tickets must be sold. The best way to sell them is for every organization of men or women to pitch in and either buy or sell a lot of them. So if you are really interested in doing something for your less fortunate neighbor, get in touch with the central committee of the National Motion Pictures Industries' benefit performance at 60 Scollay square.

TRANSCRIPT 10/31/31

City Campaign More Spirited as End Nears

But Only School Board Fights Have Wide Appeal for Electorate

Few Ward Contests

Goodwin's Attack on Curley Surprise to Friends of Both Officials

By Forrest P. Hull

As the city campaign for school committee and city council nears its end, with the election next Tuesday, there is a rather lively outburst of interest among the voters, due to the several ward fights for the council and the persistency with which the dozen candidates for the school committee have presented their respective appeals under the stimulus of the opposing attitude of Mayor Curley and Frank A. Goodwin, chairman of the Finance Commission.

Today, Mr. Goodwin, often hailed as "Curley's man," came squarely into the open against the mayor in a political advertisement, in which he calls Chairman Joseph J. Hurley of the school committee a tool of Curley's and asserts that the mayor's indorsement of Hurley as a candidate to succeed himself was because "Hurley took orders from Curley," therefore, as Goodwin argues, a vote for Hurley means control of the Boston schools by the mayor. Goodwin, who indorses Henry J. Sullivan and Dr. William B. Burns for the school committee, under the sponsorship of the newly formed Boston School League, will broadcast his opinions next Monday night.

The rift in the hitherto pleasant relations which have existed between Goodwin and Curley seemed apparent from the beginning of the campaign if Goodwin carried out his intention to do what he could against Chairman Hurley, a desire stimulated by the recent Finance Commission investigation of the public school system. Mayor Curley has not entered the contest personally, though Joseph A. Conry, traffic commissioner, speaking for the mayor at a rally in the hall of the West Roxbury Post of the American Legion, endorsed Chairman Hurley for re-election and Maurice J. Tobin, another candidate, who has strong following among friends of the city administration.

The spectacle of a chairman of the Finance Commission taking the stump in a municipal campaign is something new in city politics. Goodwin has issued several statements against Hurley and in condemnation of the entire school committee and its policies, calling the members "a lot of dummies" and also assailing the Public School Association by declaring that there are only two members of that body, John F. Moors and Joseph Lee.

Naturally, other candidates have sought to capitalize Goodwin's attitude in so far as it seeks to assume that with Chairman Hurley's re-election the schools would be controlled from City Hall, but the three candidates of the Public School Association, Henry A. Sasserno, Frederick J. Deane and Mr. Hurley have been working well together and have reported a decided quickening of interest in the last few days. Hurley, placed on the defensive as he has been by Goodwin's attacks, has responded vigorously to them, but has been forced to meet the unexpected hostility of many of the late Jeremiah E. Burke's friends who recall Hurley's attitude against the superintendent's re-election a year and a half ago.

That the School Committee fight has carried the campaign along as a city-wide appeal goes without saying. With so many striking elements in it, the battle is plainly one which may turn in the final hours. There are three seats to fill, and while it might be assumed that the grouping of the three P. S. A. candidates early in the contest has given the slate a real advantage, their friends fear confusion in the minds of the voters as the factional developments are drawn to razor edge, with the rallies of tonight, Sunday and Monday. Two candidates, Chairman Hurley and Dr. Joseph V. Lyons, are seeking re-election, and four others were candidates in the previous election. Among them are two physicians, two lawyers, two bankers, two insurance men, a traffic manager and a secretary to a city engineer.

In certain quarters there is added interest in the School Committee contest due to the necessity of filling the vacancy caused by the death of Superintendent of Schools, Jeremiah E. Burke, but such an issue is remote, inasmuch as there is every expectancy that the position will be filled within a short time by the present board.

Old-times in politics, though noting some of the former spirit in the present campaign, with its red fire, its soap-box oratory, its whirlwind tours with howling supporters on auto trucks, its house-to-house doorbell ringing and its circularization, laugh at all suggestions that the days of "Jim" Donovan, Patrick Kennedy and other leaders have returned, even for a few weeks. The truth is that an off-year election in Boston is of comparatively light interest to the masses. And this year ward fights have so complicated the situation that thousands of citizens are either so confused or disgusted that they will not take the pains to vote.

In only two wards are there no fights for the city council. In ward 3, where Martin Lomasney presides, City Councilor John I. Fitzgerald, Martin's chief lieutenant, has a clear field, and in the neighboring ward 5, which Councilor Laurence Curtis, 2d, has represented for two years, there is no opposing candidate.

In East Boston, Councilor Timothy F. Donovan has a fight with three opposing candidates, the chief opponent being William H. Barker, but with the opportunity for such a splitting of the ballot, he should win. In Charlestown, Councilor Thomas H. Green will have no difficulty in winning from a single opponent, William D. Sweeney. In ward 4, the Innes South End district, there is a free-for-all caused by the retirement of Councilor [illegible] Arnold, but a Republican candidate is assured of election.

Dowd in Hard Fight

Councilors Donovan in Ward 6, William G. Lynch in Ward 7 and Dowd in Ward 8 are fighting for their lives, but it would appear as if Dowd was the only present incumbent seriously threatened, inasmuch as Mayor Curley's strength has been hurled against him in the campaign for Francis D. Dailey. Dowd has been a thorn in the flesh of the mayor during the present administration. The councilor devotes much of his time in the council to attacking the Curley policies, though a few years ago he was one of the mayor's assistant secretaries. This contest is one which politicians all over the city are watching, because of the weight of administration influence involved.

Though there are stiff contests for Councilors Gleason in Ward 9, Power in Ward 10, Englert in Ward 11, Bush in Ward 12 and McGrath in Ward 13, the really picturesque contest in that particular section is that which exists between Councilor Israel Ruby and Charles Kaplan of Ward 14. Ruby added interest to his campaign by bringing charges of illegal registration against certain would-be voters in the ward, some of which charges were proved true, and he has also claimed police protection because of the rumors that many men have been imported into the ward for illegal voting. There have been wild charges, circulars and red fire to an unusual degree and much bitterness has developed. Ruby's latest trump cards have been the indorsement of the Building Trades Council and the Central Labor Union.

In the adjoining ward Councilor Francis E. Kelly, another enemy of the mayor, is fighting hard for his seat against two opponents, Richard J. Garvey and Eleanor C. L'Ecuyer, the latter the only woman candidate in the campaign. The Curley supporters are combing the district every minute for the largest possible showing in behalf of Garvey, while Mrs. L'Ecuyer is telling all the women of the ward that the only trouble with the city council is that there is no woman in it. By splitting the opposition, Kelly sees victory.

Wilson Expects Victory

There are six candidates in Ward 16, represented in the City Council by Councilor Albert L. Fish, and Fish seems assured of re-election. The situation is mild, however, compared with that in the adjoining precincts of Ward 17, where Councilor Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., is faced with the greatest struggle in his political career. His opponent, Thomas Burke, a veteran and a capable stump orator, is making a picturesque campaign with a small army of workers who leave little of politics undone which imagination can conceive. Wilson is meeting all attacks upon his council record with characteristic fervor, and though he is a Republican and the ward is strongly Republican, he has scores of Democrats on his staff as usual, and has been making such striking headway in the last few days that his seat seems assured.

It is in Ward 18 that the most picturesque and noisy fight of the city centers. Councilor Clement A. Norton has as one opponent, James A. Watson, who was a member of the City Council for several terms and seeks a re-entry into politics. The spectacle furnished by these two men at a recent hearing of the street commissioners, in which each called the other names, was but a mild reminder of the nightly attacks and counter attacks in the ward. Norton, who is superintendent of Commonwealth Pier, is a clever debater and Watson never had so hard a fighter to combat. The situation is unusually complicated inasmuch as another strong man of the ward, Peter J. Murphy, formerly in the council, is a contender for his old seat.

There are contests in all of the other wards. Councilor Peter A. Murray of [illegible]

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American 10/31/31

SUPT. BURKE IS LAID TO REST

With all school department offices closed, and flags on Boston schools at half-staff, Dr. Jeremiah E. Burke, superintendent of the Boston school system, went to his grave today.

Dr. Burke died suddenly Thursday.

The funeral cortege started at the Burke home in Alban st., Ashmont, and wound its way to St. Mark's Church in Dorchester ave., where solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated.

CURLEY IS PRESENT

Mayor Curley headed the gathering of public officials from both city and state departments, together with educators from many fields, who bowed their heads in prayer at the little Dorchester church as final "requiems" were pronounced.

The honorary pallbearers were four members of the school committee, Chairman Joseph J. Hurley, Dr. Joseph V. Lyons, Francis C. Cray and William J. Reilly; also the male members of the board of superintendents, John C. Brodhead, Arthur L. Gould, William B. Snow and Michael J. Downey, headed by former Asst. Supt. Augustin L. Rafter.

TEACHERS ATTEND

The ushers were Nathaniel J. Young, diirector of school hygiene; Frederick J. O'Brien, associate director; Dr. William H. J. Kennedy, president of the Boston Teachers' College; James A. Crowley, associate director of physical elucation; Chester M. Grover, headmaster of the Charlestown High School; Robert S. Atkins, master of the Thomas Hart, Frederick W. Lincoln district, and Hugh J. McElaney, master of the John Winthrop district, Dorchester.

Delegations from all teachers' clubs and associations attended the funeral, as well as a delegation from the Boston Charitable Irish Society, of which Dr. Burke was a director.

Burial was at St. Joseph's cemetery, Roxbury.

Gov. Ely was represented by State Treasurer Charles F. Hurley, who is a member of the Cambridge school committee.

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and members of the Women's Educational and Industrial Union were also present.

Honorary bearers were Chairman Joseph J. Hurley, Dr Joseph V. Lyons, Francis C. Gray and William J. Reilly of the School Committee; also the male members of the Board of Superintendents, John C. Brodhead, Arthur L. Gould, William B. Snow and Michael J. Downey, headed by former Asst Supt Augustin L. Rafter.

Active pallbearers were friends of Supt Burke of long standing, as follows: William J. Bradley and William Toye, both of Lawrence, where Supt Burke was engaged in school work before he came to Boston as an assistant superintendent in 1904; Philip McMorrow of Newton, John Dunn and William O'Brien of this city, and M. E. Fitzgerald, superintendent of the Cambridge public schools, and former master in the Dorchester school.

Long Cortege

The throng in the church was seated by the following ushers: Nathaniel J. Young, director of school hygiene; Frederick J. O'Brien, associate director; William H. J. Kennedy of the Boston Normal School; James A. Crowley, associate director of physical education; Chester M. Grover, headmaster of Charlestown High School; Archer M. Nickerson, master of the Frank V. Thompson Intermediate School; Robert S. Atkins, master of the Thomas N. Hart-Frederick W. Lincoln district, and Hugh J. McElaney, master of the John Winthrop district, Dorchester.

Following the church services the body was conveyed to St Joseph's Cemetery in West Roxbury in a funeral cortege of more than a half hundred motor cars.

Fire Bells Toll

As the cortege passed the firehouse of Engine 46, Peabody sq, on its way to the cemetery, the firemen and a detail from other stations lined up in front of the building and stood at attention. Fire bells tolled.

Among those at the services were Ex-Congressman Joseph F. O'Connell, City Treas Edmund Dolan, Col Thomas F. Sullivan, chairman of the Transit Commission; clerk John F. Cronin of the Supreme Court, Penal Commissioner William G. O'Hare, Judge Richard M. Walsh of the Dorchester Court and Associate Justice Michael H. Sullivan of the Dorchester Court, Dr Frederick L. Bogan, formerly member of the School Committee; Dr Charles E. Mackey, Dr Edward J. Denning, Judge Frank Leveroni, city colector William M. McMorrow, Sheriff John A. Keliher, Registrar of Deeds William T. A. Fitzgerald, Ex-Senator Henry S. Fitzgerald, Registrar of Probate Arthur H. Sullivan, City Councilors John F. Fitzgerald and Al Fish, Michael H. Corcoran, Charles S. O'Connor, formerly School Committeeman; Daniel J. Lane, formerly School Committeeman; Judge William H. McDonnell, Mark B. Mulvey, schoolhouse custodian; Patrick Nagel, assistant schoolhouse custodian; Maj William J. Casey, superintendent of printing for the city; Edward F. Kelley, chairman of Board of Assessors; Judge Joseph A. Sheehan.

Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, Ex-Mayor Daniel A. Whelton, Capt Bernard Lynch of the High School Cadets, Robert F. Denvir, teacher of English, Dorchester High School; Representative John E. Hurley of Dorchester, Richard T. Howard, publisher of Boston Review; Alexander Sullivan, business agent of the School Department; Joseph A. Tomasello, Henry Burroughs of the Burroughs Foundation; Ex-Congressman Joseph H. O'Neil, William J. McCluskey, Board of Water Commissioners, Milton; John Desmond, superintendent of schools, Holyoke; William H. Butler School Department Supply Department, Boston; James J. Maher, domestic engineer, Schoolhouse Department.

Christopher I. Fitzgerald, John A. Treanor, represented Holy Cross Alumni; William J. Barry and James A. Desmond of the high standing committee, M. C. O. F.; John J. McGrath; City Messenger Edward J. Leary; John E. Swift, supreme director of the K. of C.; Judge Patrick M. Keating, Superior Court; Clerk William M. Prendible of the Superior Criminal Court; Mr and Mrs Frazier O'Leary and daughter, neighbors of Dr Burke; delegation of the executive committee of the Boston Teachers' Club; Frank Morrin, master of the Solomon Lewenberg School, Mattapan; delegation from the Women's Educational and Industrial Union; Henry Sasserno, former school teacher; delegation from American-Irish Historical Society, headed by Ex-Congressman Joseph F. O'Connell; Chairman Peter F. Tague of the Election Department; Martin E. Touhy; Patrick Campbell, assistant superintendent of schools; John Riley, master of the Dearborn School; Miss Julia A. Murphy, supervisor in charge of playgrounds, and Miss Louise Kane, a secretary to the School Committee.

Organizations Represented

The following Boston school organizations were represented: High School Headmasters' Association, Pres Walter F. Downey; Intermediate Principals' Association, Pres Edward J. Muldoon; Elementary Teachers' Club, Pres Mary B. Cummings; Intermediate Teachers' Club, Miss G. Pauline Gordon, president; Masters Assistants' Club, Miss Anne A. Mellish president; Elementary Teachers' Association, Miss Katherine C. McDonnell; High School Women's Club, Miss Grace A. McGrath president; Submasters' Club, Pres James E. Dolan; Men's Economic Club, Pres Gerald F. Coughlin; Junior Masters' Club, Pres Thomas A. Donnelly; Special Classes Club, Miss Elizabeth J. King, president; Boston Principals' Association, Pres William W. Howe; Shop Teachers' Association, Pres John J. McGrath.

The former Federation of Catholic Societies, in which Supt Burke was active during its existence several years ago, was represented by Charles T. Daly of Medford. The Charitable Irish Society of Boston, of which Supt Burke was a director, was represented by a group headed by Charles D. Maginnis, president, and John J. Keenan, secretary.

Rev Dr Cummings read prayers at the cemetery.

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THRONGS PAY FINAL TRIBUTE TO SUPERINTENDENT BURKE



Left to right, front: State Treas Charles E. Hurley and United States Senator David I. Walsh, at funeral of Supt Jeremiah E. Burke. On top step, City Treas Edmund Dolan and Mayor James M. Curley.

Tribute to the memory of Jeremiah E. Burke, superintendent of the Boston public schools, who was fatally stricken in his sleep last Thursday morning, was paid today at his funeral services, which were held in St Mark's Church, Dorchester av, Dorchester.

The church was filled with delegations from the various teacher organizations of the local school system, and from business, fraternal and social groups, some time before the funeral cortege arrived from the Burke family home at 60 Alban st, Ashmont. School superintendents and others engaged in educational work came from all over Greater Boston and more distant points to join in last rites for the distinguished educator who passed 27 years of his long service in the schools of New England in the schools of this city.

The church was taxed to its capacity by an assemblage of between 1200 and 1400 persons. As many more stood on the broad steps of the church, on the wide space in front of it, and along the sidewalks on both sides of Dorchester av. More than 1000 boys and girls of school age from various schools of the Ashmont and Dorchester Center sections, lined the sidewalk in front of the church in an impressive tribute that had not been arranged.

Supt Burke was widely known to the children of the Dorchester district, and they came to pay their respects of their own accord. It was estimated that fully 3000 persons assembled in the church or in the immediate vicinity to participate in the final tribute to one of the leaders in public school education, whose 10 years' service as head of the Boston system won him a warm place in the hearts of not only those serving with him, but of hundreds of educators throughout the country.

Large Gathering

Prominent in the large gathering of persons well known in every activity of life, were Mayor James M. Curley, U. S. Senator David I. Walsh, City Treas Edmund L. Dolan, State Treas Charles E. Hurley of Cambridge, representing Gov Joseph B. Ely, many judges of the Boston and Massachusetts courts and members of the bar and the medical profession, and the Dorchester Board of Trade, headed by Pres P. J. Connelly and Secretary John J. Daily.

Rev Dr Francis V. Cummings was celebrant of the solemn high mass of requiem at 10 o'clock. He was assisted by Rev Fr Patrick J. Dalton as deacon, and Rev Augustine G. Dalton subdeacon. Terry's requiem service was sung as the musical portion of the mass, under direction of Mrs Edward H. Sullivan, who presided at the organ. The music was by the regular church quartet.

Seated within the sanctuary were a large number of clergymen, including Rt Rev Mgr P. J. Supple of St John's Church, Roxbury; Rev Charles A. Branton, O. S. A., of St Augustine's Church, Andover; Rev William Twohig of St Brendan's parish, Neponset; Rev Richard J. Quinlan, supervisor of the Catholic parochial schools of the Boston Archdiocese; Rev Joseph V. Tracy of St Columbkille's Church, Brighton; Rev Albert Shea of St James' Church, Harrison av; Rev James Kelley, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes' Church, Jamaica Plain; Rev Francis X. Salloway of the Immaculate Conception Church, Revere, and Rev William J. McCarthy, pastor of St Brigid's Church, Lexington.

In the reserved section were delegations from the following organizations: Charitable Irish Society, Knights of Columbus, Catholic Alumni Sodality, the executive committee of the Boston Teachers' Club, the Headmasters', Intermediate Principals' and Elementary Principals' Associations, school principals and directors, former

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DEMOCRATS HOSTS OF RITCHIE TODAY

Marylander to Make Address In Afternoon

Gov. Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland will be the guest of the Democrats of Massachusetts at three separate functoins in Boston today. He is scheduled to arrive at 7:30 o'clock this mornin from New York, where he delivered a address last night. From here he will move on to Providence to continue the brief tour which is regarded as part of the movement to project him to the forefront as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President.

At 9:30 o'clock this morning he will be the guest of Gov. Ely at breakfast at the Copley Plaza Hotel, to which President Bacon of the Senate and Speaker Saltonstall of the House will be the lone Republicans in an assembly of Democrats which will include Senators David I. Walsh and Marcus A Coolidge.

Democratic officeholders and prominent members of the party from various sections of the commonwealth will assemble at the Parker House at 1 o'clock for a luncheon assembly at which he will deliver an address which is expected to be a sharp arraignment of the Hoover administration.

In the evening the Maryland Governor will be the guest of honor at a dinner to be conducted by the Clover Club at the Exchange Club. The evening assembly will be entirely informal as far as public addresses are concerned, as it is understood that there will be no reporters present.

Mayor Curley, chief sponsor for the presidential candidacy of Gov. Roosevelt of New York, will not attend any of the functions because of previous engagements.

FIVE CITY ENGINEERS RECEIVE PROMOTIONS

The promotion yesterday by Mayor Curley of George W. Dakin, district engineer of 44 Evergreen street, Roxbury, to succeed Thomas F. Bowes, retired division engineer, head of the sewer service of the public works department, was followed by four other promotions.

Dakin receives a salary increase from $3700 to $5000 per year. His post will be filled by George S. Coleman of 15 Marmion street, Roxbury, who has been assistant district engineer. He will be succeeded by Arthur J. Lennon of 45 Kenrick street, Brighton, who has been an assistant engineer.

James F. Carter of 61 Linden street Dorchester, was advanced in the rating of assistant engineers, as was Edward L. Godvin of 105 Sedgwick street Jamaica Plain.

GLOBE 10/31/31

A-T-A RATING LIKELY FOR BOSTON AIRPORT

Municipal Air Board Confers With Department Of Commerce Airport Section Chief

NEWS AND NOTES CONCERNING AVIATION

By C. JOSEPH HARVEY

It is likely that the Boston Airport will receive the new A-T-A rating of the Department of Commerce when the proposed development is finished early next year. At least this is the opinion of members of the Municipal Air Board and local aviation interests after a conference this week with A. Pendleton Taliaferro, chief of the airport section of the department.

Mr Taliaferro came to Boston to look over the field and to make expert suggestions in developing the area so that it might receive the coveted rating. He viewed the flying field in company with Theodore G. Holcombe, manager of the aviation bureau of the Chamber of Commerce.

Later at the Beacon-st offices of the Park Department, Mr Taliaferro pointed out that since the enlargement of the airport will provide runways of more than 3500 feet in all directions except one, it may be possible to obtain the A-T-A rating with a waiver. The waiver, he explained, would be granted because the short runway had approaches over water in both directions.

State Supervisor of Aviation Robert L. O'Brien took sharp issue with the Government expert and on addressing the group said: "Well, well, well; the Department of Commerce has made another change—just like the old man with the 40 faces."

Mr O'Brien stated that in his opinion the Boston Airport when the present new development is completed will be, without question, the best in the country, and he said:

"As for the A. T. A. rating, it is just another attempt of the Department of Commerce to place its best beyond the reach of Boston. Personally, I think it's just plain bunk."

The question of extending the airport toward Winthrop was discussed, and the general opinion of meeting was that it was impractical, inasmuch is it would seriously interfere with the construction and location of the proposed seaplane basin. Praise was accorded Mayor Curley and Chairman Long in their attempt to make the airport the best in the country. Opinion prevailed that when the improvements are completed the field would be adequate to serve the needs of the city for possibly the next 20 years.

Mud will begin to fly on the new development recently authorized by Mayor Curley. The Huffman Company has moved part of its equipment into the field and expects to go into action Tuesday. One dredger has already arrived and the other is expected Monday. Every indication points to a real busy Winter at the Boston Airport.

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MAYOR HOLDS UP PAPERS

Police Captain Retired— On Pension List Later

Mayor Curley yesterday received from Police Commissioner Hultman the retirement papers of Captain Herbert W. Goodwin of the Jamaica Plain police station, but at the special request of the commissioner, the Mayor withheld his approval of the retirement which would place Captain Goodwin on the pension list after 41 years of service.

Similar action was taken last November on the retirement of Captain John E. Driscoll of the Mattapan police station, who has been in the service since 1893. Under the law, the retirement papers are sent to the Mayor's office when the police officials reach the age of 65, but it is not compulsory to pension them until they become 70 years old.

In these two cases, the retirement papers were accompanied by letters from Commissioner Hultman requesting the Mayor to withhold his approval which would automatically place the veteran officers on the retired list.

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BOSTON JOBLESS BOARD FAVORED

Curley Conference Urges Committee to Work with State Group

BATTLE OVER WAGES ENLIVENS MEETING

The unemployment conference called by Mayor Curley at the Boston City Club yesterday, with only 150 of the 500 invited attending, after a heated discussion relative to labor wage reduction, concluded its session by requesting the mayor to organize a Boston unemployment relief committee to work in co-operation with the state commission headed by William Phillips.

Phillips urged an organization that would devote its efforts to the spreading of available work and to finding jobs. The mayor suggested the establishment of an honor roll of employers who have not reduced employes or wages during the year and who will not do so during the coming winter.

Morris Gest gave assurance of a three weeks' presentation of "The Miracle" at Boston Garden in March, the estimated net profits of $250,000 to be donated to the employment relief fund of Boston. As Boston business interests have not reacted favorably to an invitation for them to underwrite the revival of the famed pageant, he announced that Mrs. Gest, daughter of the late David Belasco, would guarantee the expenses. He predicted he would attract 500,000 to the performances.

The prediction of Matthew Cummings, prominent Boston contractor engaged in the construction of four municipal buildings, that an open shop will exist in the building trades within three months, unless the building trades halt the "guerrilla warfare which is now wrecking this line of business," temporarily subordinated the discussion of methods of relieving unemployment at the conference.

Russell S. Codman precipitated the controversy by suggesting consideration of a proposal to the building trades to voluntarily accept a 20 per cent. reduction in wages for six months. He declared that building tradesmen are receiving from $1.50 to $2 per hour, and argued that a reduction would stimulate building and provide opportunities for employment.

James T. Moriarty, president of the state branch of the A. F. of L., took Codman to task for injecting a controversial issue into the discussion of unemployment relief. He followed William E. Brigham who proposed to Mayor Curley that a survey be made to determine how many building projects would be started if a wage reduction should be made.

Moriarty insisted that in the discussion on the wage reduction proposal between Building Trades Council and the Building Trades Employers' Association the latter had been unable to specify one project which would be started if the concession should be made. The contractors engaged in building jobs, he continued, figured their prices on the basis of existing wage scales and a reduction would only benefit the contractors, unless it could be shown that new projects would be started.

Cummings retorted that Moriarty knew that he was not speaking the truth, adding that "at least two-thirds of the general contractors are hiring union labor at non-union prices and the honest contractors who pay union scales are finding it impossible to obtain contracts." Carpenters, he said, were being employed at $5 a day and laborers at $3 a day.

"If necessary I can name a dozen of them right off," he said. "The building trades business agents have agreed to stop these 'guerrillas,' but they have done nothing. They continue to write union wages on the outside of the envelopes and fill them with non-union money. If it isn't stopped, the open shop which practically exists now will be a real open shop inside of three months."

GLOBE 10/31/31

BETTY BELL PRESENTS MAYOR COPY OF HER BOOK, "CIRCUS"



BETTY BELL PRESENTING A COPY OF HER BOOK TO MAYOR CURLEY

Betty Boyd Bell, 11, 242 Jamaicaway, daughter of Floyd Bell, publicity director of the Metropolitan Theatre, today presented Mayor Curley with a copy of her book, "Circus," a young girl's story of life under the big top.

The young authoress is a seventh-grade student in a Jamaica Plain private school. Between 2 and 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, at Jordan Marsh Company, Miss Bell will autograph copies of her book.

While visiting Mayor Curley, the girl said she had never visited the Zoo at Franklin Park, and Mayor Curley arranged with Park Commissioner Long to have her shown through the place today.

RECORD 10/31/31

Youthful Author Visits His Honor



Betty Boyd Bell, 11, of Jamaica Plain, youthful author of "Circus," her thrilling story of life under the Big Tent, is shown as she presented a copy of "Circus" to Mayor Curley at City Hall yesterday.

Helpful Sixty-Six

Boston moving picture houses are falling right into line in support of President Hoover's appeal for community help for the unemployed. Sixty-six "movie" houses in this city will give midnight benefit performances Friday, November 20. Every cent of receipts will be turned over to Mayor Curley's Committee for the Welfare of the Unemployed.

The mayor asks everybody to attend one of these numerous benefit shows. If you cannot go, you can buy a ticket and help swell the receipts.

The theaters, their managements and staffs, with the generosity characteristic of the entertainment field in the matter of benefits, are doing their full part. It is up to the public to respond.

Time Boston Had One

The city's Commercial, Industrial and Publicity Bureau is making definite move to get the 1932 Democratic National Convention for Boston. Business men are invited to a meeting Nov. 9 to take up the idea in a practical way. Boston has everything necessary for a national political convention. It makes great advertising for the city; also good business. Preparations have to be made well in advance. It is to be hoped that the plan to get the big Democratic session here next summer goes through.

GLOBE 10/31/31

ARGUE WAGE CUT AT CURLEY CONFERENCE

Codman, Moriarty Debate Building Trades Scale

Mayor Curley's conference of financial, commercial, industrial and labor experts on unemployment problems yesterday turned into a lively debate when R. S. Codman suggested that building trades laborers take a voluntary 20-percent cut in wages.

James T. Moriarty, State president of the A. F. of L., upheld labor and the present wage scale in the argument.

Codman said that with the purchasing power of the dollar increased, labor should come forward, particularly the building trades, and accept a 20-percent cut.

Codman stated that laborers in the building trades were receiving pay of $1.50 an hour, $1.75 an hour and $2 an hour. He contended that if the 20-percent cut in wages was effected on jobs where 100 men are now employed there would be employment for 150 to 250 men.

He asked that the cut be accepted as of Nov 1 and continued to May 1s as a trial.

Mr Moriarty immediately took issue with the speaker, denying that any man in the building trades received $2 an hour. He said building costs were cheaper per cubic foot now than they were in 1921 and declared the contracts now in effect between employers and laborers had, at the request of the employers, been made to run for a period of three years. He argued that the employers had building contracts based on the present wage scale and the present building program.

Moriarty asked Codman to produce one owner or one architect who could assure the laborer that building activity would be increased if there was a decrease in salary. He asked that an owner or architect be produced with new building projects which would show an indication of more building activity.

Mayor Curley stated that he would like to see a committee formulated to spread work and stabilize labor. He suggested an honor roll of employers who had not discharged any men in this depression and had not cut wages. He suggested a supplementary honor roll of employers who would agree that they would not discharge any help this Winter and not cut wages.

Chairman Phillips of the State Committee on Unemployment suggested that Boston should appoint a representative committee of business men, church people, financial men and members of women's clubs to act in the unemployment situation. It was his suggestion that the Mayor appoint such a committee.

miscellaneous publications

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Quincy Patriot-Ledger 10/20/31

Would Cut Public Salaries

Former Representative Henry L. Shattuck's Proposal is Discussed Editorially by an Influential Newspaper

As a means of improving economic conditions now faced by communities and individuals all over the country Former Representative Henry L. Shattuck, once chairman of the Massachusetts Legislature's ways and means committee, has proposed a cut in State and Federal salaries. This proposal is discussed by the Springfield Republican as follows:

Mr. Shattuck's two definite suggestions are drastic indeed, yet financial conditions promise to force their serious consideration by the Legislature next winter. A 10 per cent. salary cut among all public employes would have fully as much justification in the reduced cost of living as the 10 per cent. wages cut in mills of the American Woolen Company.

Mr. Shattuck should have urged also that the salaries of members of the Legislature should be reduced, and have emphasized that "public employes," the phrase used by him, includes every official from the governor down. Doubtless that is what he had in mind. Even King George has taken a heavy cut in his royal allowances and the prime minister's salary has been slashed. So have the salaries of a number of our greatest corporation presidents. The Republican suggested weeks ago that President Hoover announce his own willingness to take a cut as the preliminary to recommending retrenchment in all Government salaries. Congressman Treadway's advocacy of a reduction in the salaries of United States senators and representatives is brought to mind in this connection.

With the salary reduction movement going strong, through the initiative of the governor and Legislature, Massachusetts, cities and towns would probably follow along, as Mr. Shattuck advises. The real solution of the depression problem is that the American people must dig themselves out. Let us absorb our deflation and readjust our living costs to our incomes.

Only there must be no favoritism, no preferential classes. The reduction in salaries should obviously be heavier in the "higher brackets." Mayor Curley could stand a 20 per cent. reduction more comfortably than a public school teacher in the lower grades could stand 10 per cent.

A special levy on incomes is suggested by Mr. Shattuck to provide more relief funds. That is what we are coming to doubtless. There will be many to agree that Governor Ely's public works building program of last winter has exhausted its beneficial potentialities and cannot wisely be extended at the next session, if there must be more short-term bond issues. Such programs were based on the assumption that the depression would be of short duration, just as the opposition to them was largely based on the same assumption. The depression's progressive intensification and widening range has changed the situation so far that new public works not actually needed, are to be avoided. Unemployment relief, however, will remain urgent and a direct attack on the financial problem through a special levy on incomes may be the most feasible policy to combine with drastic economy in public expenditures.

Since this is an emergency problem, The Republican wishes that Mr. Shattuck would now explore critically the whole field of tax-exempt property in this commonwealth to see if a special levy on some of it would not be practical as well as justified by the circumstances. The State contains this kind of property in realty and intangibles to the amount of hundreds of millions of dollars.

For example, Harvard University, of which Mr. Shattuck is now the treasurer, had property reputed to be valued at $100,000,000, not long ago. If public school teachers must have their pay reduced, Harvard professors and instructors might justly be deflated also, through some levy by the State on the university's endowment.

Salem News 10/20/31

AIMEE'S PROFITS $32.41 FROM THE BOSTON MEETINGS

Total Receipts Were $23,506; City to Get the Crumbs, Says Curley; Opposition in Philadelphia

Boston, Oct. 20—The "Foursquare Gospel" of Mrs. Aimee McPherson Hutton earned profits of $32.41 for the Boston jobless according to figures released last night by the Boston Garden management and Frederick Winters, manager of the nine-day series of revivals.

Added to a special collection of $908.90 taken up Sunday night for Mayor Curley's unemployment fund, this will make a total of $941.31 to be turned over to the city today. Total receipts were $23,506.30 and expenses, $23,441.48, or about $2600 a day.

About 165,000 persons who heard the famous woman evangelist during her stay here, averaged slightly less than 11 cents each in collections amounting to $17,150. The remainder of the receipts were made up from the sale of literature and special donations.

Just $64.82 was the profit of the revivals, and Aimee true to her promise to Mayor Curley, will turn over half of that amount, or $32.41 to the unemployment fund of the city.

"It looks as if we were going to get the crumbs," said Mayor Curley over the telephone last night, when told of the city's share in the revival.

After learning that Gypsy Smith, noted evangelist, is scheduled to open a revival next Sunday in Philadelphia, Mrs. Hutton last night cancelled her opening there and declared she has accepted a call from Providence and will conduct a revival campaign there beginning Friday night and continuing until Monday.

Decided opposition was manifest against Mrs. Hutton at Philadelphia by Mayor Mackey, who last night said, "I don't want to see Aimee McPherson come here at all. I never like to see religious enthusiasm turned into a circus."

Lowell Courier-Citizen 10/20/31

Port of Boston needs early New England spirit, urges Mayor Curley. That is a natural desire for a patriotic Bostonian to feel—a hope that Bostonese possessors of comfortable fortunes invested in carefully selected securities of every country will dispose of some of their bonds and stocks to take a desperate chance at sea where the foundations of such fortunes were laid generations ago. That would, indeed, be a romantic and picturesque thing to do. Every realist, meantime, knows that the State Street bankers who serve as trustees for a thousand or more wealthy Back Bay families will not take Mayor Curley's advice in this matter, however loudly they may ap-

Springfield News 10/20/31

Curley Asks Lights Be Dimmed at 7 In Edison Tribute

Boston, Oct .20—By public proclamation, Mayor James M. Curley today called on Boston's citizenry to dim all electric lights for one minute at 7 o'clock tomorrow night in tribute to Thomas A. Edison.

Mayor Curley also ordered that city flags be placed at half staff tomorrow.

"Once a resident of Boston, his (Edison's) labors during his life time have proven of enduring benefit to humanity and to the whole universe," said the mayor.

Amesbury News 10/20/31

MAYOR CURLEY WANTS HOLIDAYS ON SATURDAYS

Observance of Armistice Day was the subject of a conference between Mayor Curley and representatives of the American Legion and Legion Auxiliaries of the State at City hall, Boston, yesterday.

Mayor Curley suggested to the Legionnaires that they consider the advisability of combining Armistice Day observances with those of Thanksgiving Day. He also told his visitors to consider carefully a proposition that all holidays be observed on the Saturday of the week in which they occur with the exception of Christmas Day and pos-

SALEM NEWS 10/20/31

Curley Suggests Most Holidays Be Observed Saturday

Boston, Oct. 20—The formal decision yesterday, of the retail trade board of the chamber of commerce, not to close retail stores Armistice day inspired Mayor Curley to suggest to representatives of the American Legion and its auxiliaries the advisability of the observance of all holidays other than Independence day and Christmas on Saturday.

He also suggested combining the observances of Armistice day and Thanksgiving on the latter day.

The mayor asserted that he appreciated the trend towards abanment by merchants of the observance of holidays by suspension of business and he stressed the idea of deferring until Saturday the celebration of any holiday falling on some previous day of the week.

Legion officials invited officials of the retail trade board to confer at the mayor's office about the observance of rmistice day.

10/20/31

NEW BEDFORD MERCURY

BOSTON'S POOR AND AIMEE WILL SPLIT PROFIT OF $64.82

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LOWELL SUN 10/20/31

Boston Wonders What Split Will Be

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BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 10/21/31

MAYOR CURLEY TO GIVE TALK

Rockland, Oct. 20.—A meeting of the executive committee of the Rockland Chamber of Commerce was held last evening at the Legion Home with President William H. McCarthy presiding. Plans were talked over for the coming year and also for the opening session next Tuesday evening.

There is a question as to where the chamber will hold its meetings this season. There are many who want to return to G. A. R. Hall, where the organization held its meeting for over 20 years, while others favor Channing Hall. The matter will be decided by the committee this week. President McCarthy announced that he has secured Mayor James M. Curley of Boston for the speaker for the opening meeting. Mayor Curley is a great favorite in this town, having spoken here a number of times.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 10/21/31

GROSS RECEIPTS OF AIMEE'S REVIVAL IN BOSTON—$23,506

BOSTON, Oct. 20—Gross receipts of Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton's nine-day revival were $23,506.30, of which all but $64.82 went for expenses, according to Boston Garden Officials.

So Mayor James M. Curley's bargain with Aimee, in which she agreed to donate half the profits of the revival to the Boston unemployment fund, netted the fund exactly $32.41. Actually, however, the fund netted nearly $1000 from Aimee's visit, since a special collection she took up for it Sunday totaled $908.80.

A change in schedule will see Aimee inaugurating her next revival Friday night at Providence, R. I. She was to have appeared next at Philadelphia, but altered her plans upon learning another evangelist, Gypsy Smith, was to conduct a revival there.

QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 10/21/31

C. OF C. NAMES DIRECTORS AT NEXT MEETING

Nine to Be Chosen from Nominee—List Now Being Prepared

Compilation is now being made at the Chamber of Commerce headquarters of the hundreds of ballots returned recently by the members to nominate candidates for directors to be elected at the annual meeting on Nov. 2.

With the election of officers, eight of the present directors will leave office and will not be eligible for election to the directorship for a year. A provision in the by-laws forbids a director holding office for more than three continuous years.

Those who will leave the board are Clarence Burgin, William M. Edmonston, Walter R. Forbush, Frank H. Foy, J. Everett Robbie, Oscar L. Stevens, Allan R. White, and James Moorhead, Jr. The latter was recently appointed to serve as director to fill the unexpired term of a director who had resigned.

The 12 other members of the board are likewise outside the eligible list of nominees. These men are Lawrence H. Abbott, F. Warren Crane, David A. Cutler, Nazarino DiPanfilo, Joseph B. Grossman, Henry J. Hickey, Herbert A. Curtis, William H. Dennison, William T. Donovan, Napoleon .. Guay, Harry H. Kerr, and Forrest I. Neal. There is one vacancy to make the group complete.

President Hugh Allen of the Retail Merchants' Bureau and President Newell Clark of the Industrial Bureau, are automatically members of the board.

At the annual meeting and election of officers, there will be a dinner and an address by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston.

NEWBURYPORT NEWS 10/21/31

A review of Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton's meetings in Boston does not throw a very glowing light over them financially. Mayor Curley is no doubt disappointed that they yielded only $32 for his unemployment fund, and Mrs. Hutton even more so that her time and energy brought her no greater resources for the future. The 165,000 who heard her averaged slightly less than 11 cents per person in their contributions. The evangelist may consider herself specially unfortunate in that her ministrations were apparently valued at less even than those of more formal and less spectacular gospels. Clergymen have told us that church contributions with them average some 15 cents per person. It is rarely, that is, that religion is as highly appraised in money value as the movies, even at an afternoon session are.

QUINCY NEWS 10/16/31



FOR GOOD LUCK—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston presents an Irish shillaly to Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton to chase evil spirits away as the Los Angeles evangelist tries to turn Bostoners from the road to sin.

SPRING FIELD UNION 10/20/31

Aimee's Profit Only $64.82; Boston's Poor Get $32.41

Special Collection at Closing Revival Service, However, Nets Welfare Fund $908.90; Nine-Day Expense Is $23,441.

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PITTSFIELD EAGLE 10/19/31

BOSTON MAYOR ATTENDS MASS IN LEE CHURCH

LEE, Oct. 19—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston paid this town a visit yesterday and attended high mass at 10:30 at St. Mary's church. The Hub mayor with a party of four persons were en route from Albany, N. Y., to Boston when they stopped off to go to church. They witnessed the Harvard-Army football game at West Point, N. Y., Saturday afternoon.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 10/20/31

AIMEE GOT $3.61 A DAY FOR BOSTON REVIVAL

Poor's Share of Nine-Days' Service Fund, $32.41—Philadelphia Trip off.

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BOSTON, Oct. 19 (AP)—Frederick Winters, manager for Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, evangelist, announced tonight that he had been instructed by Mrs. Hutton to postpone arrangements for a revival she was to have conducted in Philadelphia next week. Winter said that Gypsie Smith, another evangelist, was scheduled to open a campaign in Philadelphia next week and that Mrs. Hutton felt it was not "best for the common cause to have a conflict in services." The announcement said Mrs. Hutton intended to conduct a revival in the auditorium in Providence, R. I., beginning next Friday evening and continuing until the following Monday evening.

WOONSOCKET CALL 10/16/31



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BROCKTON TIMES 10/19/31

MAYOR CURLEY TO SPEAK AT C. OF C. MEETING

The executive committee of the Rockland Chamber of Commerce met Monday evening at the Legion home, with plans discussed for the opening meeting of the 1931-32 season, to be held Tuesday evening, Oct. 27. Representative William H. McCarthy, president of the Chamber, announced that he had secured James M. Curley, mayor of Boston, to be the speaker at the opening meeting.

Plans are made to have the supper at 6.30 and the business meeting will follow and conclude at 8, with the meeting to be open to the public at that time, to hear the speaker, who will address the gathering on a matter of much importance, subject to be announced later.

Plans were made for the season's activities of the Chamber, and committee appointments for the year were made by the president. The committee considered several plans which will be acted upon at the opening meeting.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 10/16/31



WHEN A LORD MAYOR AND JUST A PLAIN MAYOR MEET— Mayor James Curley, of Boston; Lady Mayoress of Manchester; Distinguished visitors to Boston, Mass., during that city's police Lord Mayor George Titt, of Manchester; Robert Essen, mace bear- parade were high dignitaries of Manchester, England. Viewing the er; Police Commissioner Eugene Hulman, and General Agnew, of parade are, left to right, City Solicitor F. E. Howell, of Manchester, the Mayor

LYNN ITEM 10/16/31



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ATTLEBORO SUN 10/19/31

AWAIT REPORT ON REVIVAL PROFITS

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BROCKTON TIMES 10/19/31

Whitman

K. OF C. ENTERTAIN AT LADIES' NIGHT BANQUET

Addresses and Entertainment Comprise Excellent Program.

One of the most enjoyable social events of the season, the annual ladies' night of Whitman council, K. of C., took place last evening at the town hall. Over 200 were present to enjoy the admirable exercises.

The hall was attractively decorated with council colors. From 6 to 6.45 an informal reception was held, in charge of the general committee, William Brennan, chairman; Edmund Luddy, secretary; Albert Durant, treasurer; Dr. Arthur J. Sullivan, Frank Flaherty, Walter Costello, Charles L. Thompson, James Kaveney, Joseph R. Lewis, William Fogarty, William M. Sweeney, John R. Buckley and Lionel Joyal.

At 7 o'clock the large company marched to the lower hall, where a fine banquet was served. Grand Knight Lionel Joyal extended a cordial greeting and introduced Past Grand Knight Dr. Arthur J. Sullivan as toastmaster.

The speakers were Rev. George Sullivan, curate of the Church of the Holy Ghost; Rev. Peter Stoll, dean of Miramar Mission at Island Creek, Duxbury; Rev. Frank Monahan, captain in the U. S. Army, just returned from two years of service in Honolulu; District Deputy Donald MacLane of Taunton and State Deputy Hon. Joseph M. Kirby of Boston.

Interspersing the addresses a fine entertainment was given with the following numbers: Soprano solos, Miss Lillian Mullen; tenor solo, James McGonnigle of Taunton; baritone solo, Thomas Doherty of Avon; dancing specialties, Phyllis and Lorraine DeMers of Attleboro; toe and tap dances by Master Buddy DeMers of Attleboro; Early and Sylvester of Taunton in eccentric specialties.

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston was expected to deliver the oration but was unable to attend and sent as his representative ex-Congressman Peter Tague, chairman of the election commission of Boston. He gave an interesting address on national affairs which are now absorbing the attention of the world. After the exercises a social hour was enjoyed.

LEOMINSTER ENTERPRISE 10/15/31

Mayor James M. Curley affirms that Hoover policies have caused the depression of the last two years. This statement is ridiculously untrue. President Hoover and his policies have been no more the cause of the two years' depression than has Mayor Curley and his much talked of municipal cow pasture of Boston been the cause of the unemployment in The Hub.

The whole world does not rest upon one pair of shoulders. Sen. David I. Walsh in a very dignified statement 10 days ago declared that it would be well for the Republican party if Calvin Coolidge would reconsider and decide to run for the presidency. Then the senator proceeded to state that the president of the United States really has very little power of his own, in spite of the nigh and honorable office which he halds.

The senior senator from Massachusetts stated that appointments must be confirmed by the Senate; that treaties must be ratified by the Senate; that appropriations are authorized by Congress; that legislation must be made by Congress; that any power not vested in the president by the constitution must be authorized by Congress, if the president is to have such power. In short, it was implied and understood that the president really is hardly more than a figure-head, since supreme authority is in the hands of Congress, who are the true representatives of the people themselves.

If all of that is true, and the president is merely a figure-head, and always subservient to Congress, especially to the Senate, let that thing be remembered when the oratorical guns of the presidential campaign begin to boom next summer. Let this not be forgotten when the tirades about the economic depression begin by the opponents of Pres. Hoover. Let it be remembered that the president is a mere tool, without much authority, and that Congress, especially the Senate, is supreme. And let Congress, especially the Senate, take the authority and responsibility upon themselves for the economic depression and let the public again be reminded that the president must be protected and defended and upheld, and not blamed, since he is hardly more than a figure-head, and can make no move except by act of Congress, especially the Senate.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 10/15/31

SHATTUCK'S PROPOSAL CREATES DISCUSSION

Boston Mayor and Boston Finance Commissioner Disagree With Plan Forwarded at Meeting Here

BOSTON, Oct. 15—A 10 per cent. wage reduction for all public employes and adherence to a pay-as-you-go policy for state, city and town, advocated at Lawrence yesterday by Henry L. Shattuck, former house chairman of the committee on ways and means, met with the decided disapproval of Mayor Curley, who last night characterized the proposal as "a bold move."

The cause of the public employe was also taken up by Frank A. Goodwin, chairman of the Boston finance commission and also president of the Commonwealth Service Associates, a group of state employes. Goodwin admitted a 10 per cent. reduction in the cost of living but was loathe to have a cut in salaries which he said had reached a reasonable figure only after years of fighting.

Alvan T. Fuller refused to comment on the Shattuck plan but did state that there would be no necessity for it if the state had not plunged into a borrowing last year.

Frank A. Goodwin, president of the Commonwealth Service Association, an organization of state employes, said last night that much could be said on both sides of a suggested 10 per cent wage cut for public employes. He admitted that there had been at least a 10 per cent. drop in the cost of living, but added that during the many lean years before the state employes became organized, and when the cost of commodities was at the peak, no one had worried then about raising the salaries of state employes.

"The employes have had a had fight to boost their pay to a reasonable amount and any reduction now would be suicide for them," he said. "As far as Gov. Ely's promise that there will be no further salary increases this year, I cannot see justice in that. A junior clerk enters the employ of the state at a yearly wake of $980 and the assurance of a $60 raise each year until a maximum of $1200 is reached. This is an assured increase and a promise of the state which I do not believe can be broken even during such a time as this."

Alvan T Fuller refused last night to comment on the sagacity of the Shattuck suggestion. He added, however, that "there is not a burglar's chance of bringing about a cut." He said that such a program comes a year too late and that the $10,000,000 borrowed last year is the reason for the indebtedness of the state at the present time. Judicious spending at that time and a limited program of borrowing would have avoided the present situation, he said.

Mayor Curley termed a proposed wage cut of 10 per cent. for public employes as a "very bold proposal."

"Hoover policies," he said, "have resulted in the depression of the last two years. Hoover economics, as outlined by Mr. Shattuck, would make them permanent. I subscribe to that school of economics that believes the security of America and the happiness of her people can be better made possible through a saving wage and continuity of employment rather than a starvation wage and a speeding up system of unemployment, which results in seven months of work and five months of unemployment."

Mr. Curley might well proceed to amplify his charges and show just how and wherein the Hoover policies have caused the depression of the last two years. It is unthinkable that one man and one man's policies could have so completely upset the entire world, causing hundreds of bank failures, stock market crashes, near bankruptcy of many nations, revolutions, civil warfare, international disputes, drouths, floods, grasshoppers, strikes, lockouts, wage cuts, dividend omissions, reduction of surpluses, gang rule, holdups, hunger, unemployment, bread-lines, and everything else conceivable in the category.

But if Mr. Hoover was the cause or the occasion, the ruling factor or the remote incident, directly or indirectly, candor and honor compel us not to forget the reassurances repeatedly given the American people by Mr. Hoover that the country is fundamentally sound; the numerous conferences of business men; the farm relief measures; the unemployment and general relief commission; the proposed moratorium of the international debts; the speedy and effective relief given to both Germany and Great Britain; the fervent appeals not to raid the Federal treasury further; the gigantic bankers' pool of $500,000,000 to aid the banks of the country and their assets.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 10/15/31

AS THE AKRON GREETS THE SUN—This unusu
world's largest dirigible, taking off into the skies f
sun rises—the golden rays reflecting



FOR GOOD LUCK—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston presents an Irish shillaly to Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton to chase evil spirits away as the Los Angeles evangelist tries to turn Bostoners from the road to sin.

PROVIDENCE JOURNAL 10/17/31

CURLEY CALLS NAVY PLANS UNFAIR AND UNWARRANTED

Suggests Sale of Plane Carriers Instead of Closing Stations

Boston, Oct. 16.—(AP)—A reported proposal of the Navy Department to close the Boston navy yard and the Newport naval training station as a part of its economy program, was assailed today by Mayor James M. Curley as "unfair" and "unwarranted."

The mayor suggested instead that the Navy Department sell the airplane carriers Lexington and Saratoga to private interests which he said were considering a proposal to be made to the Government for their purchase.

The carriers, the Mayor said, cost $8,000,000 yearly to maintain while the Boston and Newport establishments cost approximately $6,000,000. The carriers, the Mayor said, had proved to be unsuccessful as operating units of the fleet because of their "excessive speed."

Their sale, the Mayor suggested, would allow New England interests to convert them into passenger ships and to establish a four-day to Europe line in competition with "super-ships of other nations."

The closing of the Boston navy yard would throw 2000 persons out of work, Curley estimated, and would "prove extremely burdensome to the cities and towns in which they reside. The public welfare departments of every city and town in Massachusetts have long since passed exhaustion point."

SANDWICH INDEPENDENT 10/17/31

Cape Cod Canal Inspected

Thursday was a gala day for Upper Cape Cod, thousands of people turning out and lining the banks of the Cape Cod canal to greet the steamer Calvin Austin of the Eastern line, bearing the delegates to the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association and other distinguished guests on their trip of inspection. The local demonstration had been arranged by the Southeastern Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce, that the visitors might know the interest shown on the part of the people of this section in the proposed Canal betterments and Secretary Harry B. Ivers of that organization is to be congratulated upon his efforts in staging a successful celebration.

The Calvin Austin left soon after 10 o'clock and steaming out of Boston harbor was saluted by many of the near-by boats. The day was warm and delightful, the sea smooth, and in due time the mouth of the canal was reached. All the way from Sandwich to Buzzards Bay the people were waiting, and the passage through was in the nature of a welcome reception. At Sandwich, Bournedale and Buzzards Bay the visitors were greeted with daylight fire-works, including flash-in gbombs, and some releasing American flags attached to parachutes, which gracefully descended to earth and were picked up as souvenirs. Two airplanes also circled above the boat, and the continual noise of automobile horns and the shouts of the people along the way left no doubt as to the nature of the welcome. Proceeding through the canal and into Buzzards Bay past Wing's Neck, the boat then turned back for the homeward passage.

At Bournedale, the center of the local celebration, a big crowd had gathered and at this point a stand had been erected. At 4 o'clock Mayor James M. Curley of Boston arrived over the road and addressed the assembled multitude, speaking on the need of the improvements as planned by the Army engineers and of the great aid to unemployment the undertaking would be. Mr. Ivers also spoke, stressing the advantages to Southeastern Massachusetts when the work is completed.

PROVIDENCE JOURNAL 10/18/31

Considers Mayor Curley Rude to Aimee McPherson Hutton

To the Editor of the Sunday Journal:

In securing a promise from Annee Semple McPherson Hutton, to turn over half her profits to the unemployed of Boston, Mayor Curley reminded the noted evangelist that a similar agreement had been entered into by Texas Guinan.

Does Mayor Curley compare the noble Sister McPherson to the night-club queen? I can see no likeness between them.

Mayor Curley's reception to Mrs. McPherson I consider most ungentlemanly.

F. G. S.

Providence, Oct. 14.

NORTH ADAMS TRANSCRIPT 10/15/31



WHEN A LORD MAYOR AND JUST A PLAIN MAYOR MEET—Distinguished visitors to Boston, Mass., during that city's police parade were high dignitaries of Manchester, England. Viewing the parade are, left to right: City Solicitor F. E. Howell, of Manchester; Mayor James Curley, of Boston; Lady Mayoress of Manchester; Lord Mayor George Titt, of Manchester; Robert Essen, mace bearer; Police Commissioner Eugene Hulman, and General Agnew, of the Massachusetts state guard.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 10/15/31

NEARLY all who have listened to Mayor Curley of Boston give an address have admired his diction, the readiness with which he quotes from the classics and the resonance and music of his voice. Mr. Curley's command of English and acquaintanceship with literature, supplementing a keen mind and a remarkable grasp of public affairs and questions, make him a speaker of exceptional power. He is an instance of the benefits of self-culture.

The mayor of Boston has become a member of the class in English literature conducted by the State University Extension course, of which Prof. Robert Emmons Rogers of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology is instructor. He finds time in his crowded days and nights to extend his knowledge of a subject in which he is interested.

If the busy mayor of Boston can take a night course in literature surely there are many others who have fewer demands on their time and energy who can take advantage of this opportunity to improve their minds. Night schools are on every hand awaiting those who would profit by them.

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LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN

TO TAKE CENSUS OF DOGS IN BOSTON

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NEW BEDFORD MERCURY

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NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 10/15/31

Benefit Football

Mayor Curley's suggestion that Harvard devote the proceeds of one of its big games, or of a post season game, to the fund for the unemployed merits more consideration than President Lowell appears to have given it. The prompt rejection of the plan would indicate that it was plainly out of the question, but we do not see why it shou be. The objection appears to be that it would be commercializing college sport. What of it? Why be so afraid of commercialization? After all, Harvard has an entire institution on the Boston side of the Charles devoted to the teaching of so commercial a subject as business administration.

If football ames with big gate receipts devoted to paying the expenses of all college sport activities are proper, what is so objectionable, in the present situation, in a game to raise money for the unemployed? All over the country people are being asked to contribute to relief measures. Other colleges are to play benefit games. Harvard football players probably would be willing to help to the extent of playing an extra match. There is no reason why they should not help in this way so far as we can see. Yale, Brown, Holy Cross, Dartmouth, Cornell, Columbia, Pennsylvania and Princeton will meet in football tournaments early in December. President Lowell's refusal to let Harvard co-operate places that institution in an unfavorable light and is an error in judgment which should be corrected before it is too late.

WORCESTER POST 10/16/31

BOSTON, Oct. 15 (AP)—Mayor James M. Curley today announced that Joseph Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, had notified him he had reinstated the Boston local, the charter of which he had previously suspended. Curley said he expected a settlement of the strike involving 3000 longshoremen might be made within 24 hours.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 10/14/31

GANDHI INVITED TO VISIT BOSTON

Curley Offer Will Be Given Indian Leader in London Today.

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QUINCY NEWS 10/14/31

Mayor Curley Will Address C. C. Nov. 2nd

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston will speak at the annual meeting of the Quincy Chamber of Commerce in their headquarters in the Cliveden building, Monday, Nov. 2.

At the same meeting nine members will be elected to the board of directors. The business session and the address by Mayor Curley will follow a dinner served at 6:15. Another feature of the meeting will be a talk by Charles M. Woodmansee, who will speak on "Visual Education."

The Chamber has just announced through its manager, F. A. Mayberry, that classified telephone directories containing the listings of the 600 members of the organization, have been released. It is planned to donate one to each of the 2500 new residents in the city every year.

MANCHESTER UNION 10/14/31

Our Exchanges

A GOOD TRADE.

(New Bedford Evening Standard.)

Mayor Curley is a pretty good trader. He gave Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton a shillalah and got from her a promise of half the profits of the evangelistic campaign she is to carry on under the slogan, "Back to the Book for Boston." All receipts in excess of $2,600 a day she agreed to split 50-50 with the city as a contribution to the relief of unemployment. The newspaper stories give the impression that she had no foreknowledge of what the mayor was going to ask, and that she was rushed into an acceptance. That may or may not be so, but it is not the way such things are usually done. In any case, if the contributions are large enough, she is sure of $2,600 a day for expenses and half of any excess. It will be possible to tell when the city's share is accounted for, how profitable salvation is as promoted by Mrs. Hutton. If we remember rightly, there was always a good deal of uncertainty as to th financial side of Billy Sunday' campaigns.

FITCHBURG SENTINEL 10/14/31

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TAUNTON GAZETTE 10/14/31

MAYOR CURLEY TO TALK WITH MEN ON STRIKE

(By United Press)

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WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/14/31

FAILS TO BRING MOVE TO SETTLE HUB STRIKE

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SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/14/31

CURLEY ASKS GANDHI TO VISIT BOSTON

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SALEM NEWS 10/14/31

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PROVIDENCE JOURAL 10/14/31

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LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN

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FALL RIVER HERALD-NEWS

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LAWRENCE EAGLE 10/15/31

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The companies have declined to discuss the situation with the strikers on the grounds that they are not representative of the International union. The latter body has not sanctioned the local strike.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/15/31

CURLEY SEEKS UNION AID TO SETTLE DOCK STRIKE

BOSTON, Oct. 15 (INS)—Mayor James M. Curley took steps today to bring Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's union here, to confer with steamship agents in the hope of settling the dock strike which has crippled the Port of Boston for more than a week.

This action followed the decision of the steamship agents to deal only with Ryan in settlement of the differences made at a meeting of the agents called by John N. Levins, representing the operators.

Ryan came here at the beginning of the strike and attended conferences called to discuss the situation, but he quit when the longshoremen rejected the New York agreement.

FITCHBURG SENTINEL 10/15/31

Would Abolish Stray Dogs

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SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/15/31

Public Employes Wage Cut Is Advocated By Shattuck

Also Urges Pay As You Go Policy for State, City and and Towns; Curley and Goodwin Defend Workers; Fuller Hits Borrowing

Boston, Oct. 15—A 10 per cent, wage reduction for all public employes and adherence to a pay-as-you-go policy for state, city and town, advocated at Lawrence yesterday by Henry L. Shattuck, former House chairman of the committee on ways and means, met with the decided disapproval of Mayor Curley, who last night characterized the proposal as "a bold move."

The cause of the public employe was also taken up by Frank A. Goodwin, chairman of the Boston finance commission and also president of the Commonwealth Service associates, a group of state employes. Goodwin admitted a 10 per cent reduction in the cost of living but was loath to have a cut in salaries which he said had reached a reasonable figure only after years of fighting.

Alvan T. Fuller refused to comment on the Shattuck plan but did state that there would be no necessity for it if the state had not plunged into a borrowing orgy last year.

In addition to the wage reduction proposal, Shattuck also advocated an emergency special levy by the state on individual incomes from earnings and investments to meet an added cost of unemployment relief. His address was made before members of the Associated Boards of Trade of Essex county at the Lawrence Chamber of Commerce.

He said in part:—

While spending whatever may be necessary to relieve those in absolute need, we must reduce public expenditures in every other direction. If it was ever proper to go heavily into debt in order to give employment to a few, that time has passed. Such relief as is given must be spread as widely as possible, and it must be provided from current funds. We must not mortgage the future. Most of the world is now suffering from the folly of borrowing to bolster up inflated values and to pay current expenses. We must retrench, and pay as we go. A moratorium should be declared on all borrowings outside the debt limit, and debt inside the limit should be incurred only for pressing and unusual needs. No other course is consistent with solvency.

The governor has wisely announced that no pay increases in state service will be granted during the coming year. Might not he—and city and town officials as well—go further, and recommend say a 10 per cent cut in all wages and salaries of public employes during the emergency? These men and women have safe jobs with assured pay. Many of those who help to pay them, through direct or indirect taxes, have uncertain or part-time jobs, or no jobs at all. Bear in mind, also, that this would not reduce the standard of living of the public employes, because the things they buy have gone down more than 10 per cent. If no such cut is made during the emergency, we are in effect increasing their salaries—for the value of the salary lies, not in the number of dollars received, but in the purchasing power of those dollars. One of our troubles at the present time is that one group, of which public employes form perhaps the largest element, is receiving wages based on former price levels, while a still larger group is receiving much reduced or part-time wages, or no wages at all. By a readjustment, more dollars would be made available for the unfortunates in the second group. If a city has daily payroll resources of $4500 it can employ only 900 men at $5 a day, but if it reduces the wages by 10 per cent, it can employ a thousand without spending any more money. In other words, with no increase in resources it can employ 10 per cent more labor, or instead of this it can increase by $450 a day its funds available for relief expenditures, or it can reduce the burden of public expenditures by $450 a day.

But reduce public expenditures as we may, much of the savings must go for added cost of relief, so that the burden on real estate will still be greater than it can bear unless additional sources of revenue are provided. I suggest for this purpose an emergency special levy on individual incomes from earnings and investments. But if this is to do good, it must be predicated upon drastic economy in municipal expenditures. Unless this is done, the added source of revenue would simply give greater opportunity for extravagance. The aggregate burden of taxes would be greater than ever; real estate would not benefit, and more harm than good would be done. I appreciate that there are difficulties in enforcing such economy, but the mayors appear now to be in a mood to cooperate. They are now calling for retrenchment in public expenditures.

I also appreciate that a special levy on incomes will not be popular among those who have to pay, but I believe that in such times as we are now going through those who have the incomes with which to pay taxes are under a special obligation. Certain it is that they have a stake in the community and in the solvency of the municipalities in which they live which justifies an emergency contribution. They also have a stake in the maintenance of real estate values, because on the maintenance of real estate values the solvency of the municipalities and of many of our banks depends. Real estate values are bound to suffer if burdened with crushing taxes.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 10/14/31

ENGLISH MAYOR AT BOSTON POLICE REVIEW



Among the guests in attendance of the Boston Police department review were the English mayor and party. Above are, left to right: F. E. Warbreck Howell; Mayor James M. Curley; Lady Mayoress and Lord Mayor Titt of Manchester, England; Mace Bearer Esset and Police Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman.

HARWICH INDEPENDENT 10/7/31

CAPE'S WELCOME

Delegates of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association and members of the Congressional committee made an official inspection of the Cape Cod Canal on Thursday, being taken the full length of the canal and back, by the steamer Calvin Austin of the Eastern Steamship Co.

Cape Codders made this occasion one of tremendous demonstration as a welcome to the distinguished visitors.

The banks of the canal were lined on both sides and it is reported the crowd numbered three thousand. To make the welcome more emphatic, aerial bombs were set off, the school children sang in chorus, the Wareham Band, added melody, and the honks of hundreds of auto horns was a perfect din.

The crowds cheered and waved flags all along the line.

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston and Harry B. Ivers, secretary of the Southeastern Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce made speeches from an improvised platform, and there were also addresses by others on the boat, all urging the proposed extensive improvements of the canal, by widening, deepening, new traffic bridges, etc., that will require an appropriation of approximately $35,000,000. Cape literature was scattered broadcast.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 10/14/31

DEMOCRATS TO RAISE BIG FUND

Seek $1,500,000 to Pave Way For 1932 Presidential Race

DAVIS HEADS DRIVE

Fahey and Gerard Also Named as Aides in Campaign

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13 (AP)—To pay old bills and get the party started on next year's battle for the presidency, Democratic headquarters, today, announced plans for raising a "victory fund" of $1,500,000.

A committee of more than 500 state and national party leaders has been mobilized. John W. Davis, the 1924 presidential nominee, is its chairman. John H. Fahey, of Worcester, Mass., is executive chairman, and James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, is treasurer.

Jouett Shouse, chairman of the party's national executive committee, said today, $400,000 was needed to wipe out the 1928 deficit, $600,000 to keep things going until the next convention and $500,000 for a flying start on the actual campaign.

"Not in generations has there been greater need or greater likelihood of Democratic victory, but as great as is the need and the opportunity, we cannot expect a mere victory by default. The party must present something more than an outstanding candidate and a sound platform in 1932. It must present a strong national organization ready to mobilize the country behind both, and for this adequate funds must be available."

Chairman Raskob said: "Achievement of the purpose of the victory fund, Democratic victory in 1932, is the responsibility not of any small group but of every man and woman who feels that a change of government is imperative. Financing of the fund on a nationwide basis is fundamentally Democratic in character, as every activity of the party ought to be."

Bay State Men To Aid Campaign

Special to the Telegram

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—Governor Ely and Mayor James M. Curley of Boston are the headliners in the Massachusetts contingent of the nationwide committee of 500 prominent Democrats enrolled to gather in funds for the Democratic war chest, as announced at Democratic national headquarters here tonight. The initial goal is $1,500,000 to cover the present deficit and carry on until next year's nominating convention.

John W. Davis of New York, Democratic presidential nominee in 1924, is chairman of the victory fund committee, John H. Fahey of Worcester, executive chairman, and James W. Gerard, Democratic, of New York, the treasurer. The committee roster includes almost every Democrat of national prominence in sight. Al Smith, Owen D. Young, Governor Roosevelt, Newton D. Baker, ex-Senator Reed of Missouri, Governor Ritchie of Maryland, Senator Joseph T. Robinson of Arkansas, are some of the big names on the list. Thomas H. Sullivan, Charles F. Campbell, John M. Thayer and John F. McGrath, all of Worcester, are prominent on the list of 24 Bay State Democrats on the committee roster given out here.

RICHARDS.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 10/14/31

"SISTER AIMEE" HUTTON ASKED TO PHILADELPHIA

Mayor to Ask Evangelist to Give Part of Receipts to Needy if She Comes

Philadelphia, Oct. 13—(AP)—Mrs Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton has been invited to conduct a revival service here at the conclusion of her Boston engagement. If she accepts the invitation she will receive the same proposition from Mayor Harry A. Mackey that was made to her by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston—to give part of her receipts to the unemployed.

The evangelist has been invited here by Rev William A. Davis of the Open Door Gospel mission, who said he expected to receive her acceptance within a few days. She would preach here from the 20th to the 25th.

Informed tonight of the possibility of the evangelist's visit here, Mayor Mackey said he "most certainly" would ask her to contribute part of her collection to local charities, as she is doing in Boston.

"Charity and religion go hand in hand," the mayor said. "People who want to evangelize the community ought to feed them at the same time."

Mayor Mackey made it plain Mrs Hutton would not be allowed to preach here unless her meeting is vouched for by responsible authorities "such as the ministerial association" and not by "unimportant speakers who seek publicity."

Mrs Hutton held a meeting here 18 years ago. At that time, Mr Davis said, she made "innumerable" converts.

LOWELL SUN 10/14/31

BOSTON LONGSHOREMEN ARE "LOCKED OUT"

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NORTH ADAMS TRANSCRIPT 10/14/31

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Quincy Patriot-Ledger 10/13/31

MAYOR CURLEY WILL SPEAK AT C. C. MEETING

Election of Directors Scheduled at Annual Session on Nov. 2



JAMES M. CURLEY

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston will speak on his plan for a metropolitan Boston at the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to be held Nov. 2 with a supper at 6:15 o'clock followed by the election of directors.

Mayor Curley has been advocating, for some time, his plan to consolidate the various cities and towns within a large range of Boston but opposition has been registered by the mayors and selectmen of the communities involved.

Another speaker at the annual with Mrs. [illegible] M. King of Montclair avenue in charge next Friday evening.

Celebrate 11th Birthday

Intertwined crepe paper streamers of green and orchid, with candles and table decorations of the same colors provided a festive background for a jolly birthday party which was given Saturday afternoon from 5 to 8 o'clock by Mr. and Mrs. Patrick J. McNally of 13 Taylor street for their oldest daughter, Miss Jeanette McNally, in celebration of her 11th birthday. Assisting Mrs. McNally in making the party a success were Jeanette's two aunts, the Misses Anna and Mary McNally. Dorothy Doane, Ruth Oettinger, Nancy Black, Lois Metherall, Anna McNally, Edith Hayman, and Louise Tierney were the successful contestants in the numerous games devised for the girls' amusement. Included in the list of guests for this pleasant affair were Marjorie Ready, Phyllis Cox, Anna McNally, Dorothy

Lowell Courier-Citizen 10/13/31

BRITISH OFFICIALS GUESTS OF BOSTON

Mayor and Mayoress Titt Swap Gifts with Mayor Curley at Exercises.

BOSTON, Oct. 12, (AP)—Lord Mayor George F. Titt and the mayoress of Manchester, England, were the guests of honor as Boston celebrated the 439th anniversary of Columbus day.

More than 8000 persons gathered at the exercises which were featured by the swapping of gifts by the lord mayor and Mayor James M. Curley of Boston. The lord mayor presented Mayor Curley with a chair, handhewn from a 400-year-old tree. It was engraved with the seal of Manchester. The lord mayor also presented the Boston executive with a cigar and cigaret box, made from the same tree. Mayor Curley presented a Paul Revere silver pitcher and tray to the mayor and mayoress.

Clinton Item 10/14/31

PLAN TO FORM NEW UNION

Will Be Known As the Lawrence Mill Operatives' Local Strikers; to Picket Textile Plants

Lawrence, Oct. 14—Formation of a new independent union, known as the Lawrence Mill Operatives Local Strikers, for the purpose of picketing the city's textile plants, was underway today. Led by John Archetti, its founder, the new group held a mass meeting on North Common where 300 of his followers heard Archetti announce that plans are sufficiently underway to enable picketing of the mills this afternoon by members of his union.

Although there were fewer pickets in evidence at the textile plants, the strikers seemed in a more hopeful attitude while eagerly awaiting a conference of 11 strikers' delegates with Gov. Joseph B. Ely at the State House in Boston.

Boston, Oct. 14—Gov. Joseph B. Ely today met a special committee of 11 Lawrence textile mill strikers one from each of the closed mills, and discussed with them possible arbitration of the ten per cent wage cut dispute. After conferring with the chief executive, the committee went into session preparatory to another conference with the governor.

Boston, Oct. 14—Settlement of the Boston dock strike loomed today as Mayor James M. Curley prepared to present stevedores proposals to steamship agents at a city hall conference.

Worcester Gazette 10/14/31

DEMOCRATIC FUND GOAL IS $1,550,000

Committee Is Organized as Leaders Meet at Washington

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (INS)—The Democratic campaign to win the presidency in 1932 was under way today with the organization of a committee to raise a $1,500,000 "victory fund" to pay off all debts, and finance the drive on the White House.

The first object will be to repay John J. Raskob, National Democratic chairman, between $600,000 and $700,000, which he advanced the Democratic National committee since the start of the 1928 campaign. This to silence Republican charges that Raskob has a "mortgage on the Democratic party."

The new "victory fund" undoubtedly will be raised by general contributions. Every Democrat will asked to contribute as Jouette Shouse says, "to make every voter who is interested in constructive government a party stockholder for 1932."

All the national leaders of Democracy have approved this drive, not only to raise campaign funds, but to "marshal public opinion and a militant party organization behind the Democratic candidate and platform next year."

John H. Fahey, of Boston, Mass., former president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, was named executive chairman of the fund committee. James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany was named treasurer.

In announcing the drive, Democratic National headquarters issued a statement by John W. Davis declaring the movement marked the "first time the Democratic party ever has undertaken to prepare adequately in advance of a presidential election."

FOUR WORCESTER MEN NAMED ON COMMITTEE

Special Dispatch to The Gazette

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—Charles F. Campbell, Thomas H. Sullivan, John F. McGrath and John M. Thayer, all of Worcester, have been named to the Democratic Victory committee which will raise $1,500,000 to meet the preconvention requirements of the Democratic party.

Twenty-four Massachusetts men are on the committee. Its chairman is John H. Fahey, of Boston. Other members are: Charles Ashley, of New Bedford; Larue Brown, of Boston; John F. Cusick, of Boston; Mayor Curley, of Boston; John A. Deery, of Salem; William T. Dillon, of Holyoke; Leopold M. Goulson, of Boston; Edward L. Logan, of Boston; Frederick W. Mansfield, of Boston; Joseph F. O'Connell, of Boston; Andrew J. Peters, of Boston; Michael F. Phelan, of Lynn; Mrs. Arthur G. Rotch, of Boston; Mayor Richard M. Russell, of Cambridge; Mrs. Nellie M. Sullivan, of Fall River; Bentley W. Warren, of Boston; Mayor Dwight R. Winter, of Springfield.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/13/31

Boston Greets English Visitors



(Associated Press Photo)

Lord Mayor Titt of Manchester, Eng., and his lady mayoress are shown as they were welcomed to Boston. Those in the picture are, left to right: F. E. Warbreck Howell, town clerk of Manchester; Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, Lady Mayoress Titt, Lord Mayor Titt, Robert Esson, mace bearer for the lord mayor; Police Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman of Boston and John L. Agnew, adjutant-general of Massachusetts. The English visitors reviewed the parade of the Boston police department yesterday.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/13/31

AIMEE LOSING MONEY AT HER HUB REVIVAL

Big Crowds at Meetings But Collections Prove inadequate

Boston, Oct. 13—Aimee Semple Mc Pherson Hutton preached to a holiday crowd of about 10,000 at Boston Garden last night, but receipts still fell far short of expenses.

If those in the audience gave the 10 cents apiece that the Saturday and Sunday night audiences averaged the collection totaled $1000. And Aimee claims expenses for each revival meeting are $2600. Thus far, therefore, Mayor James M. Curley's victory in getting the evangelist to agree to donate half the profits to Boston's jobless has been as hollow as a drum.

The exact amount of the collection was not announced last night and it was reiterated that no more financial statements would be issued until the close of the rivival series.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 10/13/31

LORD MAYOR TITT SEES CUSTOMS HOUSE

English Visitor and Wife Given View of Boston from City's Highest Point.

BOSTON, Oct. 11 (AP).—Lord Mayor George Frank Titt, of Manchester, Eng., and Lady Titt were given a bird's-eye view of Boston today during a sightseeing tour of the city.

The lord mayor's party, guided by Standish Wilcox, Mayor James M. Curley's representative, visited the customs house tower, the highest point in the city, after the tower had been opened by Collector of the Port Wilfred W. Lufkin.

The party later visited the Gardner museum and spent nearly two hours inspecting art exhibits. The lord mayor and party were guests at an informal luncheon during the day at the home of Mayor Curley. Miss Mary Curley acted as hostess. The afternoon was rounded off with the party attending the Kreisler recital in Symphony hall.

Tomorrow Lord Mayor Titt will pay an official visit to Mayor Curley in City Hall.

ATTLEBORO SUN 10/13/31

ASK MAYOR CURLEY AS K. OF C. SPEAKER

North Attleboro, Oct. 13—An invitation to Mayor James M. Curley of Boston to be the guest speaker at the 34th anniversary banquet of the Thomas P. McDonough council Knights of Columbus, was extended by Grand Knight John J. McGowan today and it is expected that Mayor Curley will accept although no definite word has been received as yet.

Considerable discussion was held at last night's meeting relative to the proposed celebration and the committee named to take charge of the affair promise it to be one of the outstanding events of the year. No definite date has been set for the banquet, but it will be held the latter part of November.

The committee in charge of the weekly Tuesday night dances reported that the events are gaining in favor and that they will be continued throughout the winter months.

PITTSFIELD EAGLE 10/12/31

HOST BOYS IN TRIBUTE TO DANIEL CHESTER FRENCH AT STOCKBRIDGE FUNERAL RITES

Simple Service Held in Studio at Chesterwood, Where Artist Labored 34 Years on Works That Have Made Him Famous — Rev. Edmund Randolph Laine and Rev. George Grenville Merrill Officiate Body To Be Cremated and Buried in Concord Wednesday

STOCKBRIDGE, Oct. 12.—Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the studio at Chesterwood where a crowd of 500 persons gathered to pay their final tribute to Daniel Chester French, dean of American sculptors. A simple service was held in the room where Mr. French designed most of his memorials for the past 34 years. The audience filled the studio to capacity and many stood in silence outdoors unable to gain admittance. Many of those in attendance were fellow sculptors, authors, diplomats, town officials, artists, neighbors, friends and employees of the deceased.

Three police officers directed traffic. The guests were escorted through a beautiful garden and entered the studio through the east door. Long before the appointed hour the building was filled to capacity. At 3 o'clock Mrs. French, her son-in-law and daughter, Major and Mrs. W. Penn Cresson, Walter L. Clark, an intimate friend, entered through a side door. Others in the family group were: Mrs. Charles Davis Jameson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. French, Daniel French, Mr. and Mrs. Prentice French, Mrs. William M. R. French, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Horton Batchelder, Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Bush, Mrs. William Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Schoonmaker, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Schoonmaker, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. George S. Keyes, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Cilley, John Cilley, Mr. and Mrs. William Van Slyke, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Hollis, Richard Gilliat Clark.

Clergymen Officiating

The Rev. Edmund Randolph Laine, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, read the 23rd and 121st Psalms. The Rev. George Grenville Merrill, former rector, read a poem written by Frank Parker Stockbridge entitled "In Memorian, Daniel Chester French" and the eighth chapter of Romans, beginning "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh but after the spirit."

Miss Olive Curtis Beaver, pianist, played the processional on a piano which was located in the work shop of the studio, just off the main exhibition room. Miss Rosaline Miller of New York, soprano, sang during the service, "Rest in Peace," by Schubert and "Twilight and Dawn,' 'by Oley Speaks. Miss Beaver played "The Landing of the Pilgrims."

In Solemn Setting

The coffin rested upon a dais with background of hemlock trees and boughs gathered from Chesterwood. A single laurel wreath was placed on the coffin which was covered with a gray velvet pall. At one side, with hands stretched out over the body was the original model of Mr. French's symbolic figure, "Spirit of Creation." Close by also was his unfinished bust in clay of Daniel Webster with the working tools just as he left them the last day he was in the studio.

At the feet of the sculptor's original model of Lincoln in the Washington memorial were a dozen medals he had received from American and European governments and associations. Still other original models were, his standing Lincoln at Lincoln, Neb., his Spencer Trask memorial, called "The Spirit of Life" at Saratoga, N. Y.; a symbolic group in the Corcoran gallery, "Alma Mater" at Columbia university, war memorials in his native town of Exeter, N. H., and at St. Paul's school; also the clay bust of his father, Judge Henry Flagg French, who at one time was assistant secretary of the treasury. In the reception room was John C. Johansen's portrait of Mr. French. Mr. Johansen and Carl A. de Gersdorff were ushers.

Body To Be Cremated

The body is to be taken to Springfield today to be cremated, and burial of the ashes will be in the Sleepy Hollow cemetery in Concord, Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. The Rev. Smith Owen Dexter, pastor of the Concord Episcopal church, will officiate at the committal service.

The American Academy of Arts and Letters, of which Mr. French was the oldest sculptor member, was represented at the funeral. Robert Underwood Johnson, the academy's secretary, James Earle Fraser, Hermon A. MacNeil, Cass Gilbert and Edwin Howland Blashfield were the representatives.

The National Institute of Arts and Letters, of which Mr. French was also a member, was represented by Professor William Lyon Phelps of Yale, its president; Adolph A. Weinman, Owen Johnson and Chester Beach. The town of Stockbridge was represented by its selectmen, William M. Healy, Walter Patterson, Steve C. Burghardt, Eugene A. Benjamin, a member of the school committee, and Congressman Allen T. Treadway.

James L. Fraser and his wife, Mrs. Louise Gardin Fraser, of Westport, Conn., sculptor, were also in attendance. Both were close friends of the deceased. Mr. Fraser gained fame as a sculptor through Lincoln memorial work. His Lincoln is at the beginning of the Lincoln highway.

Mayor Curley Sends Note.

Mayor James J. Curley of Boston who for many years was a friend of the sculptor, joined President Hoover and other prominent persons and sent Mrs. French the following letter of sympathy:

"Dear Mrs. French—I sincerely mourn with you in the death of your distinguished husband and pray that you accept with your daughter a very earnest and sincere expression of my sympathy and condolence.

"The city of Boston is indeed fortunate that it possesses a number of the greatest of your beloved husband's sculptures and which form a permanent memorial for all time.

"No man in the history of the world's sculpture was ever more devoted to his art and yet he found

WORCESTER POST 10/13/31

MAYOR JAMES M. CURLEY maintains his reputation as a politician of parts by the presentation of canes to his constituents on every possible occasion. The cane is accompanied by a letter in which Curley states that the gift is by virtue of his position as mayor of the city, and contains a few words of congratulation on the event. Recent examples were the gifts of canes to George W. Mitton, when he was made head of a large Boston department store, and to Thomas F. Lockney in recognition of his rise from office boy to vice president of the same organization.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 10/11/31

Mayor Curley and Aimee

If legal terms may be applied to so delightfully extralegal a performance, Mayor Curley will be admired for the adroitness with which he "levied a distress" upon the high-spirited evangelist, Aimee McPherson—or Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton.

Paying the executive a visit on her birthday, Aimee found herself faced with a suggestion that, like Texas Guinan, she should contribute a part of her "proceeds" to a fund for relief of persons in need. She countered by saying that she would do so if the mayor would appear at the Boston Garden and assist in taking up the collections. Whether this stipulation was agreed to and incorporated in the legal documents said to have been drawn up by the city's law expert is not entirely clear. Aimee said on departing: "He put 'over a fast one." And Boston's unemployed are to benefit from the evangelistic performances.

The Irish shillalah which Mayor Curley presented to the dashing visitor was not intended as a symbol of the tactics employed by the executive in receiving his guest. But it will be treasured by the recipient. The performance was perhaps a bit rough on a fair lady who was paying the mayor a birthday visit—her birthday, however, not his. But a fair lady who invites the public to share a celebration of her 39th birthday has courage, and the public will not be surprised that she was good sport enough to accept the mayor's suggestion. Incidentally, it was great advertising for the Boston campaign to save souls.

With characteristic imagination and ready wit Mayor Curley assumed the role of Robin Hood and distrained available funds for the benefit of the poor. The public will be pleased to know that somebody besides the performers is to share in the gate receipts.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/12/31

MANCHESTER, ENGLAND, MAYOR VISITS BOSTON

BOSTON, Oct. 12 (INS)—Lord Mayor George Frank Titt, of Manchester, England, paid an official visit to Mayor James M. Curley at City hall today.

Lord Mayor Titt and his wife yesterday viewed Boston from the highest point in the city—the observation platform on the Custom House tower.

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Unless the navy department rescinds its recent decision to build one of the new destroyers at the Boston navy yard neither Mayor Curley nor any other Bostonian needs to get excited over intimations from Washington that the department is thinking of closing the Boston yard. It is true that in the coldly-appraising eyes of naval experts the Boston yard is not necessary, and has not been for many years. But the construction of the $4,500,000 destroyer, decided on after a considerable start had been made in reducing the naval program will keep the yard open for two to three years. The government might, however, more easily abandon the destroyer than it could abrogate a contract with a private firm.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 10/12/31

LORD MAYOR IS FETED AT BOSTON

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The lord mayor's party, guided by Standish Wilcox, Mayor James M. Curley's representative, visited the Custom House Tower, the highest point in the city and the Gardner Museum where they spent nearly two hours inspecting art exhibits. They were guests at an informal luncheon later in the day at the home of Mayor Curley, and then attended a Kreisler recital in Symphony hall. Tomorrow Lord Mayor Titt will pay an official visit to Mayor Curley in City hall and will view the Columbus Day parade.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 10/12/31

A Good Trade

Mayor Curley is a pretty good trader. He gave Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton a shillalah and got from her a promise of half the profits of the evangelistic campaign she is to carry on under the slogan, Back to the Book for Boston. All receipts in excess of twenty-six hundred dollars a day she agreed to split fifty-fifty with the city as a contribution to the relief of unemployment. The newspaper stories give the impression that she had no foreknowledge of what the mayor was going to ask, and that she was rushed into an acceptance. That may or may not be so, but it is not the way such things are usually done. In any case, if the contributions are large enough, she is sure of twenty-six hundred a day for expenses and half of any excess. It will be possible to tell, when the city's share is accounted for, how profitable salvation is as promoted by Mrs. Hutton. If we remember rightly, there was always a good deal of uncertainty as to the financial side of Billy Sunday's campaigns.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/12/31

25,000 ATTENDANCE BELOW EXPECTATION

$2300 Receipts in Three Days Fail to Discourage Evangelist

BOSTON, Oct. 12 (INS)—With three of her 10 revival meetings here already held, Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, today had preached the "four square gospel" to more than 25,000 people in Boston Garden.

This number, however, fell far below the expected attendance, and the gross "gate receipts" from the free will offerings of the three revival meetings was estimated to total less than $2300. Aimee had announced that the cost of her meetings here was $2600 a day.

Far from discouraged, but expressing great pleasure at the increasing attendance, Aimee today made plans for her fourth revival tonight. On Saturday, the attendance was estimated at less than 5000. The afternoon attendance for Sunday was more than 6000, and last night, the evangelist preached to more than 14,000.

Richard Dunn, manager of Boston Garden, announced that hereafter collection totals would not be announced after each meeting on the grounds that it imparts too commercial a tone to the religious character of the campaign. At the end of the series, however, the total gross for all services will be announced, and the amount of the city's share for its welfare department also will be made public at that time. The noted evangelist entered into an agreement with Mayor James M. Curley to give half of her net proceeds to Boston's unemployed.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 10/14/31

CONFERENCE FAILS TO SETTLE STRIKE

BOSTON, Oct. 14 (AP)—A conference between Mayor James M. Curley, John N. Levins, chairman of the steamship agencies committee acting in a current longshoremen's strike here, and Richard Parkhurst of the port authority today failed to bring any definite move towards settlement of the strike.

Mayor Curley submitted a proposal of the longshoremen for settlement of the strike, which resulted from a disagreement over wages and sling loads, to Levins who said he had no authority to act on it. Levins said he would place the proposal, provisions of which were not disclosed, before the steamship companies' representatives.

The companies have declined to discuss the situation with the strikers on the grounds that they are not representative of the International union. The latter body has not sanctioned the local strike.

PROVIDENCE JOURNAL 10/10/31

Curley Traps Aimee Into Pledging Half Her Profits for Hub Jobless

Evangelist Blandly Told "Texas" Guinan Set Good Example.—Mayor's Irish Wit Out Fizzes Her Sarcasm.—She Takes Shillelah.—Hutton Looks On

Boston, Oct. 9.—(UP)—Aime Semple McPherson Hutton visited Mayor James M. Curley today and received a shillelah and a sample of Irish wit that may cost her half the profits of her revival here.

The Mayor was bland and hospitable and his smile of welcome contained no guile. There were a few social banalities in the way of introductions, and then the Mayor got to the point.

"You are to be at the Garden all next week?" he asked.

"Yes," Aimee replied.

"We have a number of unemployed here and I think it would be fitting if you gave half your profits to the unemployed..."

Must Follow Texas Guinan, Or—

The evangelist was taken aback. She suggested that the Mayor was joking, but he made it clear that he was not. He pointed out that "it was better to give than to receive," that "it was our Divine Lord's own admonition to share with others," and that Texas Guinan, whoopee queen, had agreed to share her profits with Boston's unemployed. It would not look well, he intimated, if Texas outdid Aimee in good works if not in faith.

After the interview Aimee and her staff said they were "confused" about the agreement, and were not sure that any agreement had been reached. Frederick C. Winters, the evangelist's business manager, said he understood Mayor Curley's welfare board was to receive one-half above expenses—$2600 a night—provided the Mayor makes a personal visit to the Garden each night and helps collect the offering.

Mayor Curley, however, was in no way confused. He issued a formal statement, in which he said Aimee and her husband "waited on His Honor the Mayor today and at the suggestion of the Mayor agreed to turn over half the net proceeds" for the benefit of the public welfare department.

Mayor Wins Every Point

The dickering that preceded the agreement—if there was an agreement—was close but the Mayor won every point.

"I didn't know there were any unemployed in Boston," Aimee said. "I thought your administration and management of the city was very exceptional."

"We havent' any Hoover breadlines," said the Mayor, who is a Democrat, " nd no Hoover riots, but we have 35,000 unemployed. None of them is allowed to go hungry here and none of them goes naked. Even if Gandhi came here we'd buy him a suit of clothes."

Aimee said her Los Angeles Temple fed 5000 men a month.

Cramps Aimee's Style

"Oh, we don't do that here," Mayor Curley said. "We just give them the money and let them buy fleets of automobiles and mock turtle soup. We turn the money over to them."

Aimee then became dubious about her ability to raise the $2600 daily expenses.

"It's singular," said the Mayor, "but the largest amounts collected in churches in my experience were voluntary contributions.

Before Aimee and her husband left the Mayor produced an Irish blackthorn shillelah, symbol of authority in Ireland for centuries, he explained.

"Who gets it?" he asked, looking from Aimee to her husband.

"I'll take it," said Aimee.

The Mayor's parting shot was:

"I hope we make a lot of money."

Evangelist Will Split With Poor If Hub's Mayor Collects Offering

Mayor Curley Suggests to Mrs Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton on Birthday That it is More Blessed to Give Than to Receive

Boston, Oct. 9—(AP)—Mrs Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton celebrated a birthday today—and it promised to be an expensive one.

It was a call on Mayor James M. Curley of Boston that proved costly. The Los Angeles evangelist, here for a 10-day campaign, confessed that today was her 39th birthday anniversary. So, with her husband, she went to the city hall to pay her respects to the city's chief magistrate.

The formalities over, Mrs Hutton was greeted with the suggestion from the mayor that it being better "to give than to receive" she might well do her share toward relieving the distress of unemployment by sharing the receipts of her evangelistic campaign with the needy.

The evangelist countered with the proposal that the mayor assist in collecting the offering and agreeing that, if he would, she would contribute half of the receipts, above expenses, toward the funds of the city welfare board. Then, as the visit ended, the mayor presented Mrs Hutton an Irish shillelah.

Later the mayor instructed the corporation counsel to draw up the necessary legal documents so that the city might collect the money.

COLLEGE PRESIDENT AT 30

Dr W. P. Tolley Inaugurated as Head of Allegheny

Meadville, Pa., Oct. 9—(AP)—Dr William Pearson Tolley, who at the age of 30 is one of the youngest college presidents in the country, was inaugurated today as president of Allegheny college.

The oath of office was administered to Dr Tolley by Andrew W. Robertson of Pittsburg, a member of the board. Dr Tolley was graduated from [illegible]

SALEM NEWS 10/10/31

HALF OF AIMEE REVIVAL FUNDS FOR HUB NEEDY

Evangelist Makes Unconditional Promise to Meet Mayor Curley's Demands; Starts Preaching Tonight

Boston, Oct. 10—An unconditional promise to meet Mayor Curley's demand that she contribute 50 per cent. of the net profits of the 14 "Back to the Book for Boston" sermons she begins preaching tonight in Boston Garden, to the city's unemployed, was given last night by Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, evangelist.

Although there was at first some slight demur to the mayor's virtual ultimatum from Mrs. Hutton's business manager, she agree unreservedly in a statement last night to make the donation to the public welfare department the mayor asked.

After the evangelist's interview with the mayor during which he so unexpectedly announced his "wish" that she contribute part of the proceeds from her campaign, Corporation Counsel Silverman was instructed to draft an agreement which will be submitted to Frederick C. Winters, her manager.

When Mayor Curley first made his proposal, Mrs. Hutton countered that she would be glad to contribute if the mayor would personally take up the collection.

To accept this counter proposal, the mayor felt, would reflect on Mrs. Hutton's sincerity and "would be equivalent to an expression of doubt as to her honesty." He therefore declined the offer.

When this was pointed out to the evangelist, she withdrew her request that the mayor take the collection himself, but invited him to the opening sermon of the revival tonight to aid in launching the campaign.

In addition to being swept into an agreement she has probably never before had to make, the day was more or less momentous in other ways for Mrs. Hutton.

It marked the

Eve of Her Campaign

one of the few she has conducted outside of Los Angeles in many years, and probably the biggest ever conducted here; and it was also her 39th birthday.

Yesterday afternoon the evangelist visited Boston Garden for the first time, tried her voice in the great auditorium, selected the piano she will use, inspected the baptismal tank which has been set up for Wednesday afternoon "divine healing service" and generally went over arrangements for the beginning of revivals.

At dinner she was host to more than a score of newspaper men. She sang with her husband at the piano, cut an enormous birthday cake with one large candle set in it, posed for photographs, and made a short speech expressing her hopes for the success of her nine-day series.

The visit to Mayor Curley and the surprise he sprang at what was expected to be a perfunctory "welcome to our city" was the highlight of the day, however.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 10/10/31

MANCHESTER, ENG. MAYOR PAYS VISIT TO WHITE HOUSE

Comes Here Today for Reception by Local Residents

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9.—(AP)—The lord mayor of Manchester, England, Alderman George F. Titt, paid the compliments of his city today to President Hoover at the White House. The lady mayoress of Manchester called upon Mrs. Hoover during the afternoon.

Asked by President Hoover concerning economic conditions in his section, the lord mayor replied: "Things are improving." He said he had come to the United States on a dual mission, one of friendship and an effort to increase the volume of trade between Manchester and the United States.

The Englishman was presented at the White House by Francis D. G. Osborne, charge d'affairs of the British embassy, and was accompanied by a brilliantly uniformed and be-medaled companion, known as his official mace bearer.

The Manchester mayor will visit in Manchester, N. H., tomorrow, and after several days in Boston will go to Manchester, Conn., before sailing from New York a week from Saturday.

City Prepares Royal Welcome for Visitors

With all arrangements completed for the reception to Lord Mayor and Lord Mayoress George Frank Titt of Manchester, Eng., the citizens' committee is prepared to receive a party of seven coming up from Boston by train this morning and arriving here at 10:30 o'clock.

The full party as announced Friday by Col. William B. Burpee, chairman of the reception committee, will include the lord mayor and his wife, F. E. Warbreck Howell, city solicitor and town clerk, J. W. Becker, secretary to the lord mayor, Miss A. M. Gibson and Herbert M. Gibson, president of the Manchester Ship Canal company. There will be, in addition to the English visitors, Standish Willcox, secretary to Mayor James M. Curley of Boston. Boston will entertain the visitors on Sunday and Monday.

As the English visitors will be in Manchester for only four hours, the program will not be as elaborate as the committee would have liked to make it. The offer of numerous local organiaztions for a demonstration had to be rejected because of the limited time. There will be no blare of bands at the station to receive but the reception committee will be there and speed the visitors on their round of functions in order to include the complete program of entertainment.

Manchester will be all dressed up for the occasion. The curb flags will be out along Elm street, the City Hall will be profusely decorated and flags will be out on all public buildings.

Mrs. Arthur E. Moreau, in the absence of her husband, will again take the place of the mayor. She will assist the committee in the reception of the visitors. In the six years that her husband has been chief executive, this is the second time that Mrs. Moreau officially takes part in a public function. The other occasion was early last summer when she welcome members of the Norwich Glee club and presented them the keys of the city.

Heart of Oak lodge of the Sons of St. George, at their meeting last night, voted to present a letter of greeting to the lord mayor and his wife when they arrive.

From the station, the party will be taken through the Amoskeag mills and a sightseeing tour of the city. There will be a brief demonstration of fire apparatus in front of Victory park and then the visitors will go to City Hall.

The official greeting of the city government will be extended by Ald. Albert L. Clough, dean of the board. At that time the Chamber of Commerce will also present its greetings and souvenirs to the lord mayor and his wife. Souvenirs from the English city will also be presented the city at the same time.

This will be followed by a luncheon at the Manchester Country club and then the lord mayor and his party will take the 2:43 train back to Boston to fill other engagements there in the evening.

MANCHESTER UNION 10/10/31

AIMEE, 39, IS SHOWERED WITH BIRTHDAY GIFTS

Blackthorn Presented Evangelist by Mayor Curley.

Boston, Oct. 9.—(UP)—Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton was observing her 39th birthday anniversary to-day, and Mayor James M. Curley gave her a shillalah, a fitting present for one about to start a nine-day campaign against the evil spirit.

The chef at Hotel Lenox, where Aimee is making her headquarters, baked a big birthday cake for the evangelist, and a party was held in her suite. David Hutton, her rotund husband, gave her jewelry.

Aimee's opening revival service will be held at Boston Garden tomorrow night, when she will preach on "The Crimson Road." The leader of the Four Square Gospel movement and her husband arrived at Boston airport Thursday after an aerial trip from the Pacific coast.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 10/10/31

Afternoon on Slate to Be Placed Before City Convention

William J. Rankin will be formally offered the Democratic nomination for mayor this evening as the city convention is called to order in the Hotel G[illegible] at 8 p. m. by Town Chairman Vincent W. Dennis. It was not decided Friday night who would place in nomination the name of Mr. Rankin, who in a caucus fight on Thursday night decisively defeated his opponent for the honor, David A. Wilson.

It was announced, however, that Mr. Wilson and James T. Farrell, veteran South End Democrat, would second Mr. Rankin's nomination.

Slate Undecided Upon.

According to Thomas J. Spellacy former Democratic national committeeman who was Mr. Rankin's chief adviser during the caucus campaign the entire slate to be nominated by the party has not yet been chosen. A conference will be held this afternoon at which this matter will be straightened out. In accordance with Mr. Rankin's avowed policy during his recent campaign, leaders from all parts of the city will have a voice in making up the ticket.

The conference will be attended by Rankin workers from each of the 57 precincts, but will not be open to the general public because of limited seating arrangements. The place of

LYNN ITEM 10/10/31

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LYNN ITEM 10/10/31

S. S. Monterey Launched At Colorful Fete

Quincy's most spectacular launching occurred at 9:30 this morning when the $8,500,000 Matson liner, Monterey, slid into the water at the Fore River plant after dragging its coiled-chain stops 500 feet.

Coming 5500 miles from Honolulu, Hawaii, to christen the trans-Pacific passenger vessel, Mrs. E. Faxon Bishop, wife of a Matson line vice-president, performed the role of sponsor with ease. She was the recipient of congratulations at a reception following the event in the plant's main dining hall with luncheon by Martin.

Greater width of river behind the Monterey permitted the sliding of the 632-foot ship a longer distance than usual giving the spectators one of the greatest thrills ever known in local launching spheres.

Rushing aside pell-mell to avoid what they thought was great danger when the fat wire cables were pulled taut, hundreds of guests had their fears allayed within seconds as the massive ship came to a stop in the river.

The heavy piles of steel drags snapped into action when the stresses of the swiftly-moving vessel were applied and the wire cables flew 50 feet into the air cracking the structural steel uprights on either side amid a great clatter.

"A Great Launching"

From his observation point near the water's edge, Harry E. Gould, general manager, who arose on Thursday from a sick bed to check the launching plans, turned to Percy Upham, master shipwright and said.

"That was a great launching." In a press statement later, Gould said the ship had been stopped within five feet of where the plans called for and he praised the development of shipbuilding that warranted this result.

At the reception, Wiley Wakeman, vice-president of the Bethlehem Shipbuilding corporation, was toastmaster. He congratulated Mrs. Bishop, sponsor, and gave her a placque as a memento of the event. He introduced her husband, vice-president Bishop of the Matson line who said his company was under substantial obligation to the Fore River plant for having executed the contracts so ably.

Curley Speaks

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, who drove the first rivet in the Monterey when its keel was laid last year, said that honest workmanship in a ship was more essential than in the bulk of other building owing to the hazardous work, done on the high seas. He congratulated the sponsor and the builders.

Curley predicted a great future for American shipping in the Orient and commended the United States for its latter-day development of the merchant marine. He praised Wakeman as this nation's best shipyard managing executive.

Commissioner S. S. Sandberg of the U. S. Shipping Board said the Matson line contract was the largest unit in the nation's building program for merchant ships. He congratulated owners, builders and sponsor.

Mayor Thomas J. McGrath of Quincy expressed Quincy's pleasure in the progress shown in the Monterey's launching. He discussed the tariff and recommended adjustments saying that Quincy hoped more shipping would bring more work to the Fore River plant. Quincy, said the mayor, jealously and selfishly wants more business in shipbuilding to come here.

Launching Guests

Guests at the launching were Mrs. E. Faxon Bishop of Honolulu, sponsor of the Monterey; E. Faxon Bishop, director in the Matson Navigation company; W. F. Roth, president of Matson Navigation company, and Mrs. Roth; Commissioner S. S. Sandberg of the U. S. shipping board, Commissioner Albert H. Denton of the U. S. shipping board, Capt. Elmer E Crowley, president of U. S. Shipping Board Merchant Fleet corporation; D. M. Dow, commissioner for Austrialia in United States; G. E. Nichols, assistant to vice-president, Matson Navigation company; F. J. Gauntlett, Washington representative, Matson Navigation company; James French, chief of Lloyds register of shipping, New York; W. L. Bunker, vice-president of the United States lines; Mayor James M. Curley, Boston; Capt. E. E. O'Donnell, president of Eastern Steamship lines, and family; Admiral L. M. Nulton, commandant of Boston navy yard, and Mrs. Nulton.

The social phases of the launching were arranged by Arthur B. Homer, Theophilus S. Andrews. The launching was directed by Wiley Wakeman, aided by H. E. Gould, R. S. Campbell, A. J. Grassick, Robert Winship, William Gray, T. J. Larkin, Allan Miller, William Gamble, John Smith, John E. Burkhardt, Hugo P. Frear.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 10/10/31

QUESTION FOR SOCIALISTS

How Would They Overcome Opposition of Private Owners to Public Ownership?

To the Editor of The Republican:—

"Not until industry reverses its motive and society begins to use labor-saving devices to save labor by raising wages and reducing hours of work, instead of to save wages for the owners of industry and thus increase profits, will we be free from the repeated crises of unemployment which have characterized capitalism," writes Alfred Baker Lewis, in a letter printed in The Republican on September 23.

No one can intelligently make objection to Mr. Lewis's explanation and cure of the present crisis. It is the view of practically every leader of industry, and of our political leaders and statesmen. President Hoover very likely had this idea in mind when he called together his famous industrial conference, and solemn pledges that wages would not be cut were piously exchanged. It was very likely the view of Mayor Curley in his plea for a five-day week for city employes. I can think of no public figure in America who would dare to argue for a policy other than one providing for a wage rate consistent with our machine progress. An examination of the party platforms of both the Republican and Democratic parties will demonstrate that it has been the policy of both parties, in the past 60 years, to ask for a "square deal for labor."

Wherein does the theory of Mr Lewis and the Socialist party he represents differ from the theory of these individuals and groups who form the conservative bulk of America's leaders? And how is Mr Lewis and the Socialist party he represents prepared to prevent our "practical" "profit-inspired" industrialists from violating this theory, which we all admit is true, and from cutting wages and lengthening the work-day?

To give a concrete example, how is Mr Lewis and the party he represents prepared to prevent the wage-cutting policy of five-sixths of our state governments, after they promised Hoover that wage rates would be maintained? How is he or his party prepared to prevent the Bethlehem Steel corporation, United States Steel corporation, the Fuel and Iron corporation, etc., from breaking their pledges to the United States government and instituting a policy opposite to that they proclaim in public, a policy of drastic wage slashes? How does the Socialist party of Mr Lewis intend to deal with such powerful groups as, for example, the Massachusetts Real Estate association, which recently voiced definite opposition to Mayor Curley's program of a five-day week, threatening to refuse to pay taxes if this policy were carried out?

Mr Lewis writes that "public ownership of at least some of our big industries" is necessary before the profit motive can be eradicated. I presume he is aware that such a move would be stubbornly opposed by our industrialists. Such a presumption is in keeping with his "impression" that private business will not voluntarily give up its power. Now, how is the Socialist party prepared to resist this stubbornness on the part of our industrialists?

S. C. SPITZER.

North Adams, October 5, 1931.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 10/10/31

AIMEE RECEIVES SHILLALAH



Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, evangelist now conducting a revival in Boston, got two surprises Friday from Mayor James M. Curley. The one pictured above was a shillalah from Ireland, to help her drive the devil out of Boston, and husband David thought it a dandy. The other surprise was when the mayor took her up on the giving of half her profits to the poor of the city.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 10/10/31

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NEW BEDFORD MERCURY 10/10/31

SHARES PROFITS WITH CHARITY

Mrs. Hutton to Give Boston Half of Receipts Over $2,600 Per Day

Evangelist Receives Shillalah as Birthday Gift from Mayor Curley

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50 Per Cent of All Over $2,600.

Explain her agreement with Mayor Curley, Mrs. Hutton said later:

"It has always been our custom to give an offering to some charitable institution of the city where we have been conducting revival campaigns, and after expenses—which I understand will average approximately $2,600 a day—have been met here, we will be proud and happy to accept the suggestion of your splendid and public-spirited mayor, and give 50 per cent of the net."

Mr. Dunn, sitting by her, repeated it. "Fifty per cent of all over $2,600 a day," said he.

Somebody asked whether Mrs. Hutton was making it a condition that Mayor Curley should collect the offerings every night.

"Of course not," said she. "I would like to invite him, as money matters seem to be preying on his mind, to come for the first collection, tonight and get the campaign started."

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SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN

CURLEY TAKES SHARP FLING AT TAX BOARD

Mayor Replies to Attack of the Boston Real Estate Exchange

Boston, Oct. 10 — Replying to the attack of the Boston Real Estate Exchange on his intention to file a bill abolishing the state board of tax appeals, Mayor Curley has termed the tax board "ignorant of its duty to the people of the commonwealth, impractical in the exercise of its functions and unfit."

The mayor said that the board has cut valuations down and imperilled the revenues of the city in so flagrant manner that he would "rather trust the destinies of government in the hands of those men who make up our jury system than the impractical men who now make up the board of tax appeal and who, if allowed to carry on, will prevent government in the commonwealth from functioning properly, if at all."

The case cited by both sides, that of the Hanover-street building once occupied by Marston's restaurant, was again brought forward by the mayor. The real estate exchange said the building had been valued for $125,000, that the owners thought $75,000 a fair figure and the tax board allowed a valuation of $45,000.

Government Agency

The fact that the building is vacant, and, therefore, not producing revenue, should not have influenced the tax board, the mayor felt. If the building produced no revenue and the owners "in all probability could not sell the building for any price, should the tax appeal board come to the conclusion that the building was therefore rendered valueless? In this particular instance the owner realized the fallacy of such a theory and agreed, under oath in writing, that the building had a value of $75,000. Yet the board, ignoring the fact that the government must carry on and that the only source of income the city has is the income derived from the taxpayers, decided that the building should be assessed for only $45,000. It was property with no income, and probably could not be sold. Why didn't this board declare it of no value whatsoever?"

"The tax board is a government agency and its duty is to sustain government whenever it can. I believe that as practical men they should assist the board of assessors whenever possible. These men are familiar with the local situation, understand the problems of the municipality and recognize the soundness of the theory that the burden should be borne by those best able to bear, to the end that the more unfortunate in our community, the small home owner, for example, might not be crushed altogether with the resultant chaos that must follow. I have not indulged in personal political considerations. I have adopted a philosophy and a theory of government that in my opinion is the soundest for the best interests of all concerned. It is to the interest of the more prosperous in our community in this crisis to bear a somewhat greater burden than perhaps was theirs in order that there might not be more poverty, more suffering and chaos in our community."

Carrying out his philosophy the mayor said he had endeavored to require the small home owner to bear his share of the burden but did not press the situation for fear of crushing him because such an owner is the backbone of the community. Owners of office buildings, mercantile establishments and large estates are not in the same position, he declared. In the first case the great burden would obliterate the home owner, while in the latter the wealthy man is just a "little nite less wealthy because he is required to assume his fair burden in carrying on the government."

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 10/10/31

Aimee "Agrees" to Share Receipts to Aid Jobless

Evangelist's Call on Mayor Curley Proves to Be Costly One; Mayor Must Help Take Collection, Her Manager Says.

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Wants Mayor to Collect Money.

The evangelist countered with the proposal that the Mayor assist in collecting the offering and agreeing that if he would she would contribute half the receipts, above expenses, toward the funds of the City Welfare Board.

meetings to be held at the Boston Garden, for the benefit of the Public Welfare Department of Boston. Mrs. McPherson Hutton stated that the expenses of conducting the meetings were about $2600 a day but that she would be very pleased to cooperate and turn over one half of the net receipts to the city. His Honor's suggestion for such distribution was predicated on the agreement of the management of Boston Garden to turn over one half of the proceeds of the exhibition to be conducted by Texas Guinan there for one week."

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Aimee's attitude during the interview first was that the Mayor was joking. She said the expenses of the revival would be $2600 a day and when she rose to go, after the Mayor had steered the conversation back three times to the sharing of the profits, her party was still uncertain as to what had been agreed. Frederick C. Winters, her business manager, pressed for a clear statement on the issue, said it was agreed that if Mayor Curley comes down to the Boston Garden every night and helps collect the offering, the welfare board will receive one half over and above expenses ($2600).

But there was no uncertainty in the Mayor's mind. At the conclusion of the interview he dictated a formal statement on the "agreement" and instructed Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman to draw up the necessary legal papers so that Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox may collect the money agreed to be paid by the evangelist.

There were a few tense moments at the City Hall meeting. Mr. and Mrs. Hutton were presented to Mayor Curley.

Mayor Curley pulled up two chairs to the side of his desk and said:

"You are to be at the Garden all next week?"

"Yes," said Mrs. Hutton, "and I hope—"

"We have a number of unemployed here and I think it would be fitting if you gave half your profits to the unemployed."

"I'd be glad to do so, if you'll come down each night and help with the collections," said the evangelist, still smiling. She had been obviously taken back by the suddenness of the Mayor's demands and by his use of the word "profits."

Mayor Points to Burden.

The Mayor, speaking rapidly, said that Boston had about 35,000 unemployed at the present and was spending about $7,000,000 on them. With a population of about 800,000, he said, it was quite a burden.

"I didn't know that Boston had any unemployed," said Mrs. Hutton. "I think your management of the city must be exceptional—"

"We haven't any Hoover breadlines and we haven't any Hoover riots here, but we have 35,000 unemployed. None of them is allowed to go hungry here and none of them goes naked. Even if Gandhi came here we'd buy him a suit of clothes."

After the visit Mayor Curley issued the following formal statement:

"Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton with her husband waited upon His Honor, the Mayor, today and at the suggestion of the Mayor agreed to turn over half of the net proceeds of the free will offering of the revival

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 10/10/31

Curley's "Fast One" To Cost Aimee Plenty



International Newsreel Photo

Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton receiving Irish shillalah from Mayor Curley, to help her drive the devils out of Boston.

Half of Evangelist's Hub Earnings Will Go to Boston Welfare Board—and Mayor Will Collect Offering

Special to the Telegram

BOSTON, Oct. 9.—Mayor Curley "put over a fast one," on Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton on her birthday. And it's going to cost the greatly publicized evangelist a large sum of money.

Today was Aimee's 39th—by her own admission—birthday. Emerging from the Boston hotel where she is stopping during her ten-day campaign at the Boston Garden, she and Mr. Hutton made what was expected to be a perfunctory call on Mayor Curley.

"Better To Give"

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Draws Up Papers

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"He put over a fast one," Mrs. McPherson Hutton said, as she caught her breath.

Before she left, Mrs. Hutton was presented an Irish shillalah by the mayor.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 10/9/31

Now that Army and Navy officials have decided that there will be another charity game between the two great service institutions similar to the one staged at the Polo grounds in New York a year ago, it is likely that a score or more other colleges will follow suit and post-season games throughout the country for the benefit of the unemployed will probably follow.

Right here in New England Boston College and Holy Cross, rivals for years, have given up their plan to hold the game the Saturday after Thanksgiving at Fenway park as scheduled, and through the efforts of Mayor Curley of Boston and the courtesy of the Harvard Athletic association the battle will take place in the Harvard stadium Thanksgiving day. The athletic associations of the two colleges will split the receipts from 35,000 people, the capacity at Fenway park and all over this amount will go to the unemployed.

Locally there is practcally no chance of such a game. Headmaster G. Walter Williams of New Bedford High suggested a post-season contest with Fairhaven, but the officials across the river did not think much of the idea and instead decided to give 10 per cent of the gross receipts of each game to charity. The main difficulty for the schools here is that the regular schedules keep the teams busy until Thanksgiving day, and the season is plenty long enough as it is. The weather and condition of the ground are uncertain so late in the fall, and the chances of injuries to the boys after they have already been through a tough season are much greater.

ATTLEBORO SUN 10/10/31

CURLEY COMMITTEE TO MEET SEPT. 16

Boston, Sept. 10 (AP)—In accordance with the action of a meeting of mayors and selectmen of Massachusetts cities and towns in this city yesterday, Mayor James M. Curley today set next Wednesday for a conference of solicitors to draft a bill to be presented to the forthcoming special session of the legislature which will consider changes in the compulsory automobile law.

Yesterday's gathering agreed that the formation of a new bill be left to the solicitors with a provision that the draft be approved by a committee composed of a solicitor from each county. Mayor Curley was authorized to fix the time of the conference.

Detroit Mirror Oct 10

Aimee Pays Call In Boston; Will Keep on Paying

BOSTON, Oct. 9 (UP)—Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton visited Mayor James M. Curley today and received a shillelah and a sample of Irish wit that may cost her half the profits of her revival here.



Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton —*she was surprised.*

The mayor was bland and hospitable and his smile of welcome contained no guile. There were a few social banalities in the way of introductions and then the mayor got to the point.

"You are to be at the garden all next week?" he asked.

"Yes," Aimee replied.

"We have a number of unemployed here and I think it would be fitting if you gave half your profits to the unemployed."

The evangelist was taken back. She suggested that the mayor was joking, but he made it clear that he was not. He pointed out that "it was better to give than to receive," that "it was our divine Lord's own admonition to share with others" and that Texas Guinan, whoopee queen, had agreed to share her profits with Boston's unemployed. It would not look well, he intimated, if Texas outdid Aimee in good works, if not in faith.

After the interview Aimee and her staff said they were "confused" about the agreement and were not sure that any agreement had been reached. Frederick C. Winters, the evangelisti's business manager, said he understood Mayor Curley's welfare board was to receive one-half above expenses—$2,600 a night—provided the mayor makes a personal visit to the garden each night and helps collect the offerings.

Mayor Curley, however, was in no way confused. He issued a formal statement, in which he said Aimee and her husband "waited on his honor the mayor today and at the suggestion of the mayor agreed to turn over half the net proceeds" for the benefit of the public welfare department.

The dickering that preceded the agreement—if there was an agreement—was close but the mayor won every point.

"I didn't know there were any unemployed in Boston," Aimee said. "I thought your administration and management of the city was was very exceptional."

"We haven't any Hoover breadlines," said the mayor, who is a Democrat, and no Hoover riots, but we have 35,000 unemployed. None of them is allowed to go hungry here and none of them goes naked. Even if Gandhi came here we'd buy him a suit of clothes."



Mayor Curley

Aimee said her Los Angeles temple fed 5,000 men a month.

"Oh, we don't do that here," Mayor Curley said. "We just give them the money and let them buy fleets of automobiles and mock turtle soup. We turn the money over to them."

Aimee then became dubious about her ability to raise the $2,600 daily expenses.

"It's singular," said the mayor, "but the largest amounts collected in churches in my experience were voluntary contributions."

Before Aimee and her husband left the mayor produced an Irish blackthorn shillelah, symbol of authority in Ireland for centuries, he explained.

"Who gets it?" he asked, looking from Aimee to her husband.

"I'll take it," said Aimee.

The mayor's parting shot was: "I hope we make a lot of money."

MILFORD NEWS 10/9/31.

AIMEE TO SPLIT GATE WITH HUB UNEMPLOYED

Boston, Oct. 9—Half of the net proceeds of the free will offering at the revival meetings here of Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton will go to the unemployment fund of the city of Boston.

The noted evangelist and her new husband, who went to City hall today to receive an official welcome, stepped into a diplomatic mesh set by Mayor James M. Curley.

"You Know," said Mizzoner as he presented the famous couple with a shillalah from Ireland, "Texas Guinan offered to give us half the profits she makes when she come to Boston next January for a week." Aimee responded, "We could give you more than that. If you come to one of our meetings and take up the collection, I'll do it."

Following the meeting, Mayor Curley announced that he had instructed Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman to draw up an agreement, which should be turned over to Budget Commissioner Charles Fox. Fox, in turn will take the agreement to Aimee's business manager for his signature.

In presenting the shillalah, which he brought from Ireland, Mayor Curley said: "If you think you're going to drive the devil out of the people of Boston you'd better have a "shillalah."

GAZETTA DEL MASS OCT. 10 1931

STRIKES CAN NOT FAIL TO BE HARMFUL

The strike of the textile workers in Lawrence and the strike of the longshoremen in Boston seem to be so ill-advised and so untimely that it is apparent that the drastic decisions reached by the workers have not been conclusions reached after sober and careful consideration.

If the textile industry is driven from Lawrence, there will be 25,000 residents of that city who will have no opportunity to obtain employment. Similarly if the longshoremen of Boston persist in demanding wages and working conditions which are not enjoyed by similar workers in other Atlantic ports, there is a grave possibility that the commerce which Boston has enjoyed and which Mayor Curley and many others have been trying to greatly augment will be diverted to New York and other ports.

For months it has been truthfully said that "anyone who has a job is lucky."

We do not claim to know the merits of the contentions of the mill owners of Lawrence. If their public stetements can be accepted as accurate portrayals of the financial conditions of the mill corporations, and there has been no challenge of their accuracy, it is increasingly difficult for the mill owners to successfully compete with the textile plants of the South where child labor is employed and where wages and working conditions are not comparable with conditions in Lawrence.

It would seem that the Lawrence workers should have awaited the final outcome of negotiations to amicably adjust the dispute which resulted from the announcement of a 10 per cent wage reduction. The sudden strike, a week before the reduction was scheduled to become effective, seems to indicate that the textile workers lack the proper leadership. If they drive the mills from Lawrence as the shoeworkers of Lynn drove the shoe factories from that city, the workers, as well as the municipalities will be the sufferers.

The Boston strike is of an entirely different character. It has been described by national officials of the longshoremen's union as a "wildcat" strike. It will be harmful to Boston. It is satisfying perhaps for workers, laboring under great stress, to give up their jobs, regardless of the situations in their homes, but sober reflection sometimes proves the folly of spontaneous action. This strike should be settled without delay.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 10/8/31

Exploiting the Unemployed.

LAST Sunday one of those undenominational preachers, the kind who, unhampered by set rules of conduct and making their own standard of ethics, gathered a group of unemployed about him on Boston Common, and then, making sure the newspaper camera men were on hand, distributed free lunches. He got the publicity he was seeking. Mayor Curley has warned him not to repeat the performance and has told him that the city of Boston does not need any such help.

It is well for every municipality to make sure of the motives of all these volunteers. If they can show they are actuated by honest and worthy impulses their work can be directed into proper channels. It is well to question anyone who uses an occasion of this kind for self-exploitation.

So far in the present emergency Massachusetts has not had to resort to bread lines and soup kitchens. Its relief work is efficiently organized and has functioned satisfactorily. The coming winter will not put it to any test which it cannot meet. The work of amateurs and self-seekers has no place in an emergency of the present kind.

ATTLEBORO SUN 9/10/31

Boston's Five Days

Mayor Curley has not yet been followed by other mayors in his announcement that he will recommend a five-day week for 7,000 city employes. No one knows as yet the cost or even the method to be recommended in Boston, but it is evident that, since the wages of 7,000 are not to be changed, there will be one-sixth added to the cost of the municipal service thus to be reorganized. There is only one place that the one-sixth can be secured and that is from the taxpayers' pockets. They in turn must assess this sum in the form of higher rent for apartments and stores, higher prices to be sold in the stores and higher prices for manufactured merchandise since merchants and manufacturers must collect their overhead in addition to their profit. The ultimate consumer who pays all taxes, no matter who draws the tax checks, is thus faced with an increase in a year when all taxes have become an individual burden and a business menace. This is not a pretty prospect for Boston, especially as the main excuse for it all seems to be the necessity of providing the mayor of Boston with a fine oratorical flourish at a Labor Day demonstration.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 10/9/31

SENATOR WALSH TO SPEAK AT MEETING FOR TOM MOONEY

A meeting in the interests of Tom Mooney, former Holyoke man, who is serving a life sentence in San Quentin prison in California for allegedly setting a bomb during the 1916 Preparedness parade in San Francisco will be held Sunday afternoon at the Common in Boston. The speakers will include Senator David I. Walsh, A. J. Muste, dean of Brookwood Labor College; Charles E. Fay, assistant corporation counsel representing Mayor James Curley and Robert Fechner, vice-president of the International Association of Machinists.

PATRIOT-LEDGER 10/9/31

MAYOR CURLEY TO ATTEND LAUNCHING

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston will preside at the exercises tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock when the $8,000,000 Matson liner Monterey is launched at the Fore River shipyard.

Mrs. E. Faxon Bishop, wife of a Matson line official, will be the sponsor. The Monterey is the second of the three Matson liners to be built at the Fore River yards.

HARTFORD COURANT 10/10/31

Curley Coaxes Evangelist into Aiding Unemployed

Induces Aimee Hutton to Promise Half of Receipts from Boston Revival Services to City's Needy---Then Presents Her Shillelah

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The formalities over, Mrs. Hutton was greeted with the suggestion from the mayor that, it being better "to give than to receive," she might well do her share toward relieving the distress of unemployment by sharing the receipts of her evangelistic campaign with the needy.

Mayor Must Collect.

The evangelist countered with the proposal that the mayor assist in collecting the offering and agreed that if he would collect, she would contribute half of the receipts, above expenses, toward the funds of the City Welfare board. Then, as the visit ended the mayor presented Mrs. Hutton an Irish shillelah.

Later the mayor instructed the corporation counsel to draw up the necessary legal documents so that the city may collect the money.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/10/31

Curley Flays Hoover's Plan To Close Yard

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, in an interview with a Quincy News reporter at the Fore River plant today, attacked Pres. Hoover for the present attempt to close the Boston Navy Yard.

"I am convinced that Hoover, the precise reasoner that he is, has figured definitely on shutting the Boston Navy Yard. To his door, and his alone, can be laid this scheme to effect an alleged economy."

Curley continued in ironical vein and seemed convinced the efforts of the government were sincere and would be successful unless great public opposition was voiced.

Navy Secretary Charles Francis Adams, former Quincy mayor, admitted Friday night that he was considering temporary, and possibly permanent, abandonment of the Boston yard. Mayor Curley and Gov. Joseph B. Ely have telegraphed protests to Washington.

PROVIDENCE JOURNAL 10/11/31

Curley Out of Luck on Sharing Plan as Aimee Collects Only $500

Boston, Oct. 10.—(UP)—Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton delivered the first of nine installments of spiritual food to Boston residents tonight—and afterward the undernourished jobless and their families were as gloomy as ever.

Mayor James M. Curley's "bargain" with Aimee, in which the evangelist agreed to donate half the profits of her revival meetings to the city's unemployment fund, looked like a "bust" as the first meeting concluded.

Richard Dunn, manager of Boston Garden, estimated the 5000 persons in the audience dropped $500 in the silver collection plates. And Aimee had stipulated she first must collect $2600 expenses at each meeting before splitting with the city.

Aimee, at the start of the meeting, asked for a "quiet" collection. It was, in part, for Manager Dunn reported some bills and many rubber bands. But the pennies, nickels, dimes, safety pins and needles were even more plentiful.

On an envelope in which a generous customer donated a $5 bill was a pencilled instruction that it was "for you, sister, not for Mayor Curley."

Before delivering her sermon on "The Crimson Road," dealing with the many roads to salvation, Aimee asked those in the audience wishing to be converted to her Four Square Gospel movement to raise their hands. Three youths, who said they were Harvard Freshmen not only raised their hands, but stood. Accompanied by 16 other men and 11 women they ascended the speaker's platform and were converted.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 10/11/31

An Opportunity For Genius

The longer the legislative hearings on motor liability insurance go on the more the disputants appear to be speaking different languages or dealing with different sets of facts. The committees on insurance and judiciary, if they should ever be able to make a report, would have accomplished the seemingly impossible. It would need as much ability, apparently, to fit the irreconcilable facts into a measure that would please a single soul as it would be to require by statute that the color should weigh so much or that poverty should be quarantined.

It is clear, however, that the insurance companies are against the field and that the field is pulling and hauling against itself. The insurance companies want only the adoption of the financial responsibility idea of Connecticut. They want compulsory insurance as now practiced by Massachusetts abolished and everything else that anybody wants, from the governor down, cast out. They do not want the 1931 rates promulgated for 1932 under any circumstances, whatever devices for cutting down losses or costs might be adopted. They want rates that are 20 per cent higher than at present and threaten court action if they cannot have them.

But the solidarity of the companies against compulsory insurance does not mean that they are certain or even likely to get it. The field, even if its ideas are scattered, is more or less united on the belief that compulsory insurance in some form must remain. Nobody likes the situation, but nobody seems to be able to suggest an improvement that pleases anybody else. Gov Ely seems to be only one of a crowd of recommenders. No army of backers has sprung up to fight for demerit rating or deductible policies. The Goodwin-Curley scheme convinces nobody; it simply stirs controversy.

Why would it not be the logical time, with the insurance companies aggressively urging the abandonment of the state's policy and threatening rates one-fifth higher if the present compulsory insurance system remains, for Gov Ely now to put forward the one-company plan he suggested at the time he announced the coming special session, with a hint of a state fund as an alternative? He may wish first to see what the committee report is to be. There will be widespread curiosity about it; and there ought to be general sympathy for the members of the committees. Yet, if there is a genius among them, he might surprise the world by reporting a perfect plan. His reward then should be nothing short of the presidency.

NORWOOD MESSENGER 10/9/31

Would Not Annex Towns

No Intention of Disturbing Local Autonomy Says Boston Delegate

Mayor Curley hasn't any idea of annexing 42 cities and towns to form a Greater Boston, Thomas A. Mullen told members of the Chamber of Commerce at their first fall meeting in Holman hall Tuesday night.

Mayor Curley's plan of unification is solely to obtain united accord on matters which are of common interest, Mr. Mullen, who is publicity director for the City of Boston, declared, adding that local anatomy would not be changed.

Mr. Mullen reminded his audience that we already have Metropolitan Commissions for water, sewage, and parks . . . all matters beyond the power of any one community to control. But more commissions would be a hindrance, rather than a help, and it is not Mayor Curley's wish to build a Greater Boston on the commission plan, according to Mr. Mullen.

The speaker decried the notion that Boston's mayor is looking for more glory as head of a city of 2,000,000. Mayor Curley wouldn't stand a chance of being elected under such circumstances, said Mr. Mullen, "Because the district is hopelessly Republican."

But in matters of common interest such as police and fire regulation and transportation, much more good could be done by a single controlling body than under the present system.

The burden of gigantic civic projects, such as the $16,000,000 East Boston vehicular tunnel and $5,000,000 Governor square subway extension, would be more fairly apportioned with a larger Boston, Mr. Mullen believes.

The speaker received a hearty ovation at the close of his talk and a number took part in the question and answer period which followed.

Thomas B. Mulvehill presided for the first time as president of the Chamber. In his address of appreciation he thanked the organization for the honor it had bestowed upon him and promised to do his utmost to carry on the Chamber's work during the coming year.

Sec. Daniel F. Slattery reported that the Chamber had been requested to cooperate with airport officials on the official opening of Metropolitan Airport, tentatively set for Saturday, Oct. 24.

The following committee was nominated and given power to act, Carl Johnson, Harold E. Shaw, Hollis Plimpton, Thomas U. Mahoney, Arthur Wilson, C. A. Bingham, and Selectman Edmund G. Dalton.

President Mulvehill reported that Henry Long state commissioner of taxation, had agreed to address the Chamber at its November meeting.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/9/31

AIMEE TO ASSIST HUB RELIEF FUND

Promises to Divide Proceeds of Revival for Unemployed

BOSTON, Oct. 9 (INS)—Half of the net proceeds of the free will offering at the revival meetings here of Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton will go to the unemployment fund of the City of Boston. The noted evangelist and her new husband, who went to City hall today to receive an official welcome, stepped into a diplomatic mesh set by Mayor James M. Curley.

"You know," said Hizzoner, as he presented the famous couple with a shillalah from Ireland, "Texas Guinan has offered to give us half the profits she makes when she comes to Boston next January for a week."

Aimee responded: "We could give you more than that. If you'll come to one of our meetings and take up the collection for me I'll do it."

The chief executive agreed. Following the meeting, Mayor Curley announced that he had instructed Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman to draw up an agreement which would be turned over to Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox. Fox, in turn, will take the agreement to Aimee's business manager for his signature.

In presenting the black thorned shillalah, which he brought personally from Ireland, Mayor Curley said: "If you think you're going to drive the devil out of the people of Boston, you'd better have a shillalah."

Mayor Curley greeted Aimee and her new husband in his executive offices at City hall. Aimee was attierd all in black, with a cape, trimmed with black fur draped across her shoulders. She wore a tight-fitting black hat, bordering closely on the "Empress Eugenie" model.

After shaking hands with the couple, Mayor Curley expressed the hope that the evangelist would do something for the city's unemployed.

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"We have a different system at home," continued Aimee. "In California, the parishioners bring the food, clohting and other things to us, and we take it out in a fleet of automobiles to the needy families."

"Well, no one is allowed to go hungry or naked here," answered the mayor, "and if Gandhi came over here, I have no doubt that we'd buy him a suit of clothes too."

Aimee said the "overhead" of the revival here would be $2600 per day.

After being presented with the shillalah, Aimee and her husband thanked the mayor and departed. City employes left their work for a few minutes and lined the hallways as Aimee came out, anxious to get a glimpse of the evangelist.

The couple returned to their hotel for lunch, following which they were scheduled to go to Boston Garden and look it over. Mayor Curley has assured Aimee that the accoustic properties of the Garden were excellent and she would have no trouble filling it with her voice.

WESTFIELD HERALD 10/8/31

FIVE-DAY WEEK

To the Editor of The Herald:—

Sir: The commendable and praiseworthy efforts of the Hon James M. Curley, mayor of Boston, to popularize the five-day week deserves the support and active cooperation of every patriotic and progressive citizen and public official in every city and state throughout the land.

I proclaim that human rights are of more vital importance to the future welfare and security of the nation than the rights of a comparatively few individuals to more profits and dividends. I believe that the time has now arrived when a better distribution of both work and wealth must be introduced into our social system.

To increase the purchasing power of all the people so that the demand for the necessities and luxuries of life may be constant, stable and continuous should be the aim of every public-spirited peerson in the United States. I am firmly convinced that the five-day week will bring about this much desired condition in every country in the world, and will create a more evenly balanced control over the laws of supply and demand.

When all the people are working and producing, then all the producers will be consuming through constantly increasing purchases everything necessary to bring about a quick return to the greatest era of prosperity the world has ever known. To regulate the days of labor in proportion to the productivity of the machine is the most forward and progreessive step yet taken by man for the betterment of the entire human race, and the five-day week advocated by Mayor Curley is the start of a movement that is destined to cover the entire globe.

Let us all give our hearty support and indorsement of this great humanitarian measure. —N. S.

MANCHESTER UNION 10/10/31

AIMEE ACCEPTS CURLEY CHALLENGE

Mayor Suggests She Give Share of Profits to Needy

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Jubilee Mass, Para

Mayor Curley Commends St. Jerome's Parish In Brilliant Jubilee Address

A hearty tribute of praise for Father Harkins and for the Catholic pioneers of Holyoke was a feature of the address of Hon. James M. Curley, Mayor of Boston, who was the principal speaker at the civic observance of the Diamond Jubilee celebration of St. Jerome's parish in the City Hall auditorium last night. The auditorium was crowded to the walls, and several hundred persons were refused admittance because of fire laws, remained outside on the City Hall lawn to listen to the addresses which were broadcast through loud speakers.

Occupying a place of honor on the stage, in company with Rt. Rev. Msgr. John F. Fagan, Mayor William T. Dillon and Mayor Curley, was Rev. John R. Murphy, pastor of St. Patrick's church, Chicopee Falls. Fr. Murphy was a curate at St. Jerome's church, 50 years ago, with the late Rt. Rev. Msgr. Patrick J. Harkins, dynamic pastor of the mother church of Catholicity for more than half its existence. Fr. Murphy for six years assisted Fr. Harkins with the affairs of the parish, especially during a severe epidemic when the two priests marched fearlessly into the homes of the sick to administer the consolations of religion. There were fully 25 priests on the stage with the Knights of Columbus Choral Club.

Mayor William T. Dillon extended the felicitations and congratulations of the city to the pastor and parishioners of St. Jerome's. The day's celebration and parade was more than a mere display, he said. It was a tribute to the pioneers, who had faith in their religion; in themselves, for they built a great church; and in their fellow citizens. The scene was very personal to Mayor Dillon, he said, for his own father was among those pioneers. He then paid tribute to the rugged simplicity and sturdy character of htose pioneers. In a few words, Mayor Dillon then spoke a word of welcome to Mayor James M. Curley.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. John F. Fagan, P. R., pastor of St. Jerome's, delivered the invocation, in which he addressed the present and reparted members of St. Jerome's and stated that the day's celebration manifested that the people had "kept holy the Sabbath," it also seemed to be a realization of the Master's prayer "that all may be one," for all had co-operated to the fullest extent in the celebration. He invoked God's blessing upon all who were present and all friends of St. Jerome's and begged God to allow all to share in His work to the end of their days.

Former-Senator Daniel A. K. Martin, chairman of the entertainment committee opened the program, then introduced Maurice G. Donahue, general chairman of the celebration, who presided. There was an excellent musical program, with several selections by the Knights of Columbus Choral Club, led by Director Edward F. Gilday. Their three numbers were well rendered, and were given generous applause. Mrs. Grace Simes Greaney favored with a soprano solo, with Mrs. Marjorie Malcolm Shaw as accompanist. Marion's orchestra played several selections.

Mayor Curley in his speech, said in part:

"The occasion of the celebration of the 75th anniversary or Diamond Jubilee of a parish is so significant that one approaches the subject with extreme diffidence. When we consider the history of the Catholic Church in New England, of the labors of the Jesuits and members of other religious orders in the early days, and then trace the progress of the church down to the present day, we marvel at the fruit of this toil and labor and contemplate the present situation with amazement and admiration, and are obliged to say to ourselves, surely the hand of God was in this. Who is there who does not know the history of the church in this corner of the country? Is there another section that solicits comparison with it in the work of the salvation of souls and in the material progress made and which is an evidence of the thrift of the people and the interest which they have taken in seeing that the command of the Almighty that a man shall love the Lord his God, and his neighbor as himself, has been realized to the full. In the early days New England made up but one diocese, under the saintly John Cheverus, an exile from France in the time of the French Revolution, a God-intoxicated man, who left so deep an impress upon entire New England that at the mention of his name, even today, tolerance takes the place of intolerance and even our dissenting brethren ask the question, "Must not that church be a wonderful power for good, that has produced such a man?" Then in the diocese of Springfield, the work of straggling priests following his example went on and grew and we read the names of these apostolic men, and view with astonishment the results of their work in this part of Massachusetts. The harvest was full, but the workers were few. The few, however, made up in enthusiasm and in hard work for the lack of these early missionaries exhibits to the world a religious enthusiasm comparable with that of any other diocese in the country.

I have marveled as I have read the history of the Church in New England, since Cheverus was consecrated in 1810, at the labors of the pioneers who sowed the first seed, who bore the storms of winter and the heat of summer, who deprived themselves of the merest necessaries of life, who traveled almost through jungles to bring the consolations of religion to the living in the form of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. The pioneer spirit was strong among these apostles.

The growth of Catholicity in New England is shown by the number of new dioceses created, and the fifty which saw the beginning of St. Jerome's church, witnessed the creation of the diocese of Burlington, Vermont, in 1853, and the appointment of De Goesbriand, as its first bishop. He had been a missionary in the far parts of the country, and was just the man to connect himself with the pioneer work going on here.

In these days your parish was organized. Its beginnings are interesting. Situated in a town which has twice the water power of any other city in the world, it sets whirling the wheels of a hundred industries. Labor in large numbers was needed, and the immigrants flocked to secure employment and find here an abiding city. It has been called the Irish city, and indeed was first known to the world as the "Ireland Depot." The Irish came to work with their hands, for they were poor, and needed wages to sustain themselves and their families. I have often asked myself the question, whether the contribution of the immigrant to American prosperity has ever been properly assessed and recognized.

A great authority in finance and economics, and one not too well disposed towards the foreigner, several years ago calculated that ths country reached a degree of material prosperity in 1825, that, without such immigration, it coul not have reached till 1865, and this immigration was largely Irish. But it must not be supposed that

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these immigrant laborers whom I have mentioned were confined only to one class. The Germans, the French, and the Italian contributed their powerful influence also.

America has been a flindly mother to the immigrant, and, in his case, the utterance of Emerson is true, "that America is only another word for opportunity." The history of Holyoke and the surrounding country is filled with examples of men whose fathers and mothers came to this country to improve their condition, gave to their sons and daughters an education of which they themselves had been deprived, and these sons and daughters have taken front rank, whether in the professional, political or commercial world. I need not mention the names of those who have been an honor to the citizenship of this district. These first comers suffered very severe hardships here. They were regarded as aliens, not only in race, but to American ideas and ideals. But they had faith in God. Hitherto mass had been celebrated only now and then, but these immigrant workers, driven by force of severe circumstances, from the homeland and grateful for the change, were so keen to express their faith and love that in 1856 the first resident pastor was settled here and St. Jerome's church planned. The history of this church has been one of unbroken service down to this day. The commandments of God and the church have been taught and observed, and there is no one who looks back either in momory or in history to the work of the various pastrs from Father O'Collahan's day down to this, who will not say that in all the activities to which it has directed itself, the church of St. Jerome has not been a powerful force for good. Its care has been not only of the adults, but of the little children, and the school has grown side by side with the church so that the young might be trained in their plastic age to love and fear God, to keep His commandments and so to regulate their lives from the beginning as to be exemplars of the best American citizenship. I should feel, did time permit, like entering into particulars about the work of the men who have been successively pastors of St. Jerome. But this would be impossible. I am sure, however, that no one will charge me with bias or prejudice in favor of one pastor more than another, if I single out for brief mention the work of Father Harkins, who has had a longer association with this parish than any other, and who came here in 1866, laboring here for thirty years and more, and seeing during that time, the town grow from five thousand to fifty thousand. His service was unremitting. No day passed without seein gfrom his hand some worthy action done. The old and the young and the sick, the footsore and the heartbroken found in him a father. While he felt that he was primarily the guardian of the souls of his parishioners he did not forget their material wants. The Harkins house, devoted to the care of aged women, is known the country over, and the first parish school, the second in the diocese opened in 1868, when three hundred and fifty girls came to the four teaching sisters. These numbers, numbers attending the parochial schools, boys and girls, have grown so that I question whether any other city in this diocese or entire New England, has proportionately as much to show in the way of the training of children, whether in secular pursuits or in the abiding truths of religion. As I look back in history to the beginnings of this parish, and then follow along down to today, I am struck by what this edifice and its people have witnessed in this country or in the world. You will recall the story of the depression of 1857, very like that through which we are now passing, but pastor and people never flinched. The work went on. They had that faith, that hope, coming down to them for centuries from their forebears. They knew that God was with them, and that He would not fail them in their endeavor to raise this building to His honor and glory. They banished fear as we must banish fear today, and as a result in a very short space of time, St. Jerome's rose from its foundation to a completed structure, started to carry on the great work to which it had been consecrated, celebrated the sacrifice of the mass and has continued to do so down to today.

Discouragement was not the order of the day. Courage, faith, and hope were the impelling influences.

I made some inquiries a few days ago about the work of this city, and parish, for the health of the people, and I have been told that among the great works for which Monsignor Harkins is remembered and will continue to be remembered is the Providence Hospital. In this great diocese, hospitals in large numbers have been reared, but I think there is none that gives greater service than Providence Hospital, founded by Fr. Harkins in 1873. Just think of it, it was laid in a little cottage with a capacity of a dozen beds, in South Hadley Falls. Fr. Harkins placed it in the care and management of the Sisters of Providence, and Dr. J. J. O'Connor spent himself in their service. In 1894 the present Providence Hospital was completed, and from that time to this the nursing of the sick and suffering has been carried on without intermission. What a glorious record. Twenty-five years ago, a wing was added, giving additional private rooms, children's rooms, utility wards and another operating room. In 1917, the Harkins' property next to the hospital was converted into a maternity hospital 'providing accommodations for twenty-five mothers, and in 1918 a nursery was built, caring for new-born infants. Since the opening of this building 5895 mothers have been treated. Improvements have been steadily carried on and so excellent was the work of this hospital, that in 1921 it received Grade A classification Surgery, and has maintained this standard until now. From 1873 to 1894 the number of patients was 2013; and from 1920 to 1930, 45,608, and during the entire service a total of 84,817. As I indicated the growth of parochial schools in Springfield diocese has been wonderful. I told you that in 1840, Fr. Fitton founded St. James Academy at Worcester. From 1840 to 1864 Catholic schools were taught by lay instructors, except in brief periods in Chicopee. In 1872 the first parish school for boys was established at St. Jerome's, Holyoke. It would be wearisome to give you the growth by decades. Suffice it to say that in the last decade 24 schools were organized, with 12,000 pupils received, and in Chicopee there is a new college for girls. Forty six thousand pupils are registered in parochial schools, with more than 1600 religious teachers. Do you realize what the organization and the carrying on of these schools mean in the way of sacrifice on the part of Catholics?

I congratulate the city of Holyoke and its other Catholic parishes upon the stupendous growth made in the last seventy-five years. I rejoice that the influences of this first church, inspiring the erection of other parishes, Irish, so-called, French Italian, and Polish, is a promise of other and better things, if possible, to come. No ill or need of the sould or body of man goes unanswered or unsatisfied. The growth of the diocese has been marvelous. Its succession of Bishops from O'Reilly in 1879 to the present Chief Shepherd, now happily and successfully reigning has been so steady and so efficient that there is more than ground to hope that the future holds out things now undreamed of. Coming as I do from the great archidocese and its eminent head, who wishes you for the future the blessing of God which has been yours from the beginning. I am sure of your future. The foundations have been laid so strong and firm and deep that I can almost see in fancy what under God is in store for you. Just think of it. Churches, hospitals, schools, every variety of service that can help man materially and spiritually has been provided, and all under the grace of God, continually watching over the children of the ancient church. Seventy-five years, your Diamond Jubilee. I salute the Memories of the good men, priests and people who have gone before, and who have given excellent account of themselves in this parish. I have forborne up to the present time to say anything about your present pastor. I know his modesty, and yet in the number of things which I have heard about him and his work, I find not a single discordant note. He is worthy of his predecessors. Could there be

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SENTIMENT FOR WIDENING OF CANAL SHOWN

Flags Fly, Aerial Bombs Burst and Children Sing for Visitors

CURLEY, IVERS ARE SPEAKERS

Extol Benefits of Better Canal on Section

[Special to The Times]

BOURNE, Oct. 9.—Flying United States flags, booming aerial bombs, singing school children, the honking of automobile horns, cheering citizens and the Wareham band greeted delegates to the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association convention, now being held in Boston, as they yesterday sailed through Cape Cod canal on an all-day trip aboard the Calvin Austin, Eastern Steamship Company boat assigned them.

It seemed that no possible way of emphasizing Cape Cod's enthusiastic interest in a more adequate waterway between Boston and New York, via the canal, had been overlooked.

Speakers Urge Project

While speakers aboard the steamer, which left Boston at 10 a. m. and returned at 8 p. m., were strongly advocating improvements of the canal, other speakers from a reviewing stand at Bournedale, including Mayor James M. Curley, Boston, and Harry B. Ivers, secretary of the Southeastern Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce, were as strongly urging the same thing to a crowd of some 3,000 gathered there. There were nearly aboard the Calvin Austin, including Harry S. Dowden, secretary of the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce and vice president of the Deeper Waterways association; State Senator Donald W. Nicholson; Congressman Charles L. Gifford; State Representatives Lewis Hathaway and William Thomas, Fall River; and mayors of prominent cities down the Atlantic seacoast.

The delegates reached Sandwich at 1:30 p. m. They were escorted into the canal by two Coast Guard boats from the Sandwich station. The first set of aerial bombs, all donated by the National Fireworks company, went off as the Calvin Austin entered the canal, from the east end of the Keith plant.

At Bourne, about opposite the Bournedale ferry, more bombs were touched off. It was there that the largest crowd, about 3,000, had gathered, although the banks of the canal were lined on both sides with cars and people, all apparently intent on making the most noise to welcome the guests. Between the Bourne Highway bridge and the railroad bridge, still more of the aerial day fireworks burst out. As many of the bombs exploded, numerous small United State flags fluttered from them, making an inspiring sight. Many of the citizens gathered in greeting also were equipped with flags, which they waved energetically at the steamer as she passed.

Nearly everybody awaited the return of the boat, which went on into Buzzards Bay before swinging around Wings Neck to go back to Boston. It had been hoped it might be possible for some of the more distinguished delegates to land and address the crowd from the specially erected reviewing stand at Bournedale but because of a strong tide this was not done.

Mayor Curley had planned to join the delegates on the trip but was detained in Boston by the longshoreman labor difficulty. He made the run to Bournedale over the road, however, telegraphing he would arrive about 3:45. About 3:15, the Calvin Austin was sighted returning and there seemed some doubt whether the mayor would reach the reviewing stand before she passed. At 3:30, 15 minutes ahead of time, the mayor's automobile sped into the town and a minute before the steamer went by he was on the reviewing stand, cheered by the crowd. He was escorted by state police.

On the reviewing stand with him were Secretary Ivers, the three Bourne selectmen, Benjamin F. Bourne, chairman; Walter S. Howard and John G. Lewis, and Louis A. Girard, president of the Buzzards Bay Chamber of Commerce. More bombs were set off as the vessel passed on her return voyage. When the noise quieted, Mayor Curley was introduced and spoke.

School Children Gather

The Wareham band was near the reviewing stand and at that point about 2000 children from the schools of Wareham and Bourne were gathered to welcome the delegates with rousing songs. They were excused from school attendance by the authorities for the occasion.

Secretary Ivers had addressed the crowd after the boat first passed and while it awaited the arrival of the Boston mayor. He discussed the proposed improvement of the Canal and said the mayor was on his way then to the spot.

Mayor Curley spoke principally upon benefits to be derived by Boston from necessary improvements of the Canal. He said he is going to Washington in December to follow up a proposition he has placed before President Hoover and the Secretary of the Navy relative to converting the airplane carriers Saratoga and Lexington into freight and passenger trans-Atlantic steamers. They are so fast, he said, they could make the trip from Boston to Europe in four days. He believes this will materially increase busines at the port of Boston.

While in Washington, the mayor continued, he will do what he can to get an appropriation of $4,000,000 to deepen channels along the Massachusetts coast so that larger vessels can use the canal. "I may be thrown out of the White House and



the Capitol," asserted Mayor Curley, "but I won't be able to quote the famous drunk tossed out of a saloon who remarked he had been thrown out of better places."

He declared: "If everyone tries and tries hard enough whatever is set out to be done will be done, even the winning of the governor's chair."

The mayor noticed Joseph Lucier, Onset, blind leader of the Wareham band, and was introduced to him, Mr. Lucier being presented as "the outstanding Democrat of the district." The mayor, shaking hands with the band leader, pinned a Roosevelt button on him, several of which he had in his pocket and distributed among the crowd.

Although impassioned pleas for improvement of the Canal were made by distinguished speakers aboard the Calvin Austin, including Major General Lytle Brown, chief of the board of engineers of the War Department; S. A. Thompson, secretary of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress of Washington; Douglas M. Hicks, state senator and prosecuting attorney for New Brunswick, N. J.; Mayor Harry Hickey, Philadelphia; J. Hampton Moore, president of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways association; John J. Martin, Boston, chairman of the arrangements committee; and Mayor Frederick W. Donnelly, Trenton, more dramatic than these was the trip itself.

Major General Lytle Brown was vigorously applauded when he declared he approved the recommendations of Col. S. A. Cheney, district engineer, for a $35,000,000 appropriation for Canal improvement. It was cut, however, into $23,000,000 by Congress, he added. This, he said, is practically assured.

"The Federal government has done much for Boston," he continued," but we hope it will soon do more and provide for your city a 40-foot, straight channel. Colonel

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Cheney has recommended a Cape Cod canal 250 feet wide, 30 feet deep and with a lock to kill the force of the tide which makes navigation at present so difficult. I concur in this recommendation."

A descriptive booklet, prepared by Frank S. Davis, vice president of the association, giving an itinerary of the trip and a description of the Canal, was distributed among the delegates. The Southeastern Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce put a bundle of literature aboard while the steamer was in the Canal.

The business session of the association was held in the main salon of the steamer after passing out of the Canal and heading for Boston. The association will complete its 24th annual convention today with business meetings this morning and a formal dinner and dance at the Hotel Statler tonight.

NEW YORK TIMES 10/18/31

'SISTER AIMEE' WINS BOSTON'S INTEREST

N.Y. TIMES 10/18/31

But Los Angeles Revivalist Is Not Yet Meeting Expenses at Her Gatherings.

CITY IS FRANKLY CURIOUS

But Its Attitude Is One of Uncertainty and the Churches Remain Aloof.

By F. LAURISTAN BULLARD
Editorial Correspondence, THE NEW YORK TIMES

BOSTON, Oct. 15—Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, otherwise "Sister Aimee", the "Little Woman" of Angelus Temple, Los Angeles, whose name has made the front page of newspapers many times the last few years and in varied connections, is conducting gospel meetings at the Boston Garden this week.

She came on short notice, with [illegible] a fanfare of trumpets. She [illegible] her own volition. Her party includes only five persons, among them her business manager, and her new husband, David by name and sartorially splendid, who is also her soloist and director of singing. Her avowed purpose is to provide Boston with a "good old-fashioned revival." It happened that the huge auditorium above the North Station had a week of open dates. Mrs. Hutton interpreted this as a call and an opportunity and boarded a plane for the flight across the continent. The fact of her coming was news. The papers treated it as news. Many pages of pictures and narratives have furnished her with ample advertising. Her name already is as familiar as that of Al Capone or "Pepper" Martin.

Boston is frankly curious about her, her history, her present campaign, her personal appearance. Still, Boston has not yet filled the Garden for her; of the 20,000 and more seats not half were occupied at any single meeting until last night, when some 15,000 were filled. She started on Saturday night under rather unfavorable circumstances.

Attendance Is Mixed.

The congregations—many will insist that audiences is the better word, have gained day by day. Without question, many persons go out of sincere and enthusiastic devotion for her cause, and, indeed, for herself. They continue to go meeting ofter meeting. It is equally certain that many persons visit the Garden only once to obtain a first-hand impression of a woman whom they believe to be remarkable.

Other revivals have been managed by elaborate organizations and a large part of the budget has been managed by elaborate organizations and a large part of the budget has been obtained in advance. "Sister Aimee" simply hired the garden at $2,600 a day, depending on collections to pay her expenses. The budget is understood to be still far out of balance.

The ingenious Mayor of the city, James M. Curley, surprised the evangelist and her husband by what she publicly alluded to as a "Curley-cue." They called at City Hall to pay their respects in the traditional manner. His Honor reminded Aimee that there was a good deal of unemployment in the city and that it would be appropriate for her to give half the "profits" of her meeting for the relief of the needy. It seemed to the news-reading public that the word "profits" was incongruous. A revival is not supposed to be a commercial enterprise. The evangelist was taken aback for a moment. Her wonderful wit failed her. She did remind the city Executive that her expenses would be heavy. The Mayor intimated to her that she ought to duplicate the offer made by Texas Guinan when she appeared at the hall some weeks ago with her "troupe." At some later meetings the evangelist has referred to the incident and asked for larger collections. She also has complimented the citizenry on having a Mayor who is an excellent business man.

EAST BOSTON FREE PRESS 10/10/31

STRANDWAY HEARING

Mayor Curley Presides and Requests General Agreement on a Plan for the Improvement—Congressman Douglass in a Spirited Speech Denounces the Land Company for its Schemes

Mayor Curley gave a public hearing in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Friday of last week on the proposed shore reservation from Wood Island through the Fourth Section and Orient Heights to the Winthrop line. There was a large attendance, the chamber being crowded with men and women from East Boston.

The issue reduced to its lowest terms turns on the location of the water line. The Port Development Co., successor of the East Boston Land Co., wants the harbor line placed away down the bay, and the intervening area from the present line filled in in the same old way with hats and caps and mattresses. The people want the harbor line as it now is, and above all they want the Park Department plan which permits of a great basin with the tide in all day long, and a beach extending from Wood Island along the shore to the Winthrop line.

Congressman John J. Douglass, a resident of Bayswater Street, and familiar with all the facts, made a very strong speech in which he condemned the Port Development Co. for attempting to over-ride the riparian rights of the people who bought land in the district between Bayswater Street and Barnes Avenue. The value of the homes of these people is over $3,000,000, and it is an outrage for anyone to attempt to make them valueless. He told about the cancellation of taxes amounting to $250,000 abated under the Nichols' administration for the land company. He closed by promising court action if the water was taken from the people.

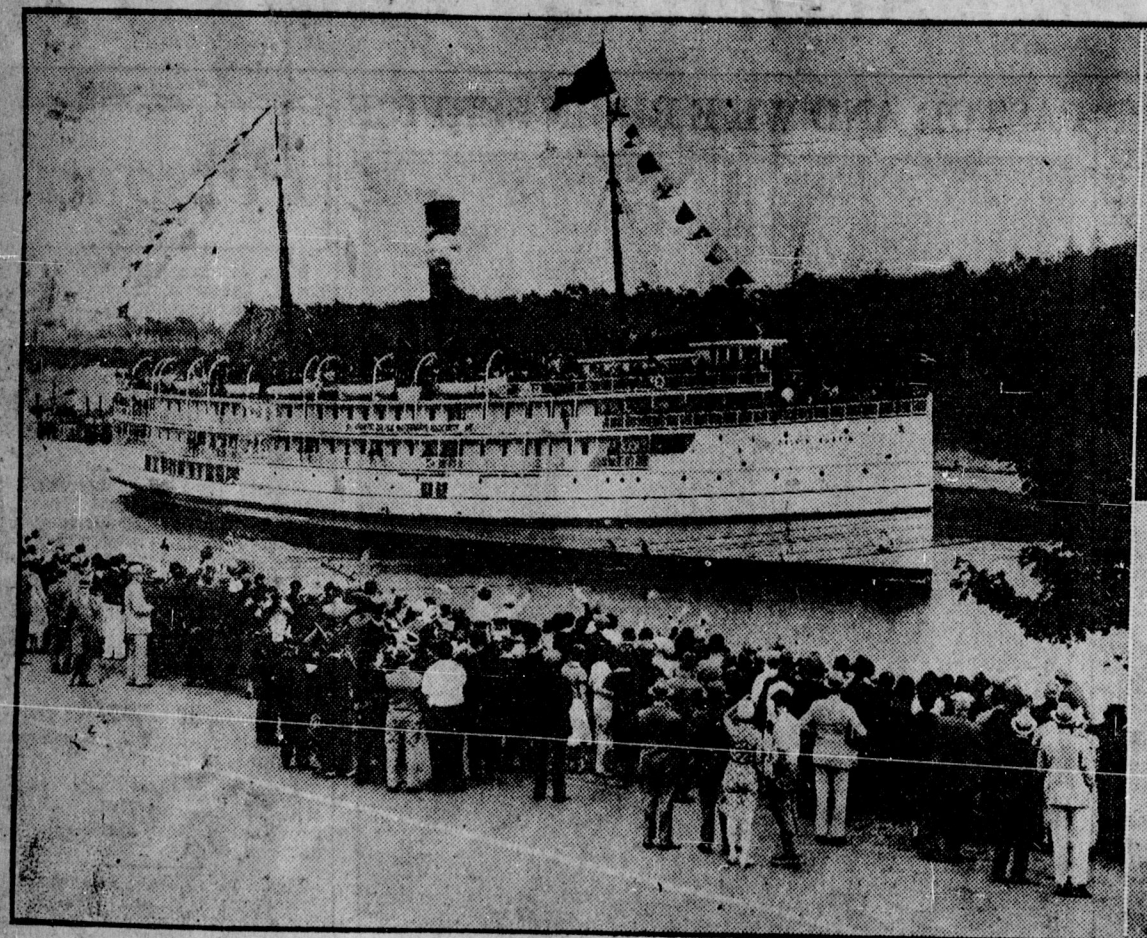
Mr. William J. McDonald of the Port Development Co. brought forward at the beginning of the hearing a plan for extending the shore to Apple Island and filling in the present tidal area in the old familiar manner with hats and shoes and mattresses. His plan looked like one of the ideas that used to be presented when the "boys'" were trying to fasten a privately owned toll bridge on the back of the town.

Mayor Curley said that he wanted to satisfy the people of East Boston. The improvement was for them. However, unless land owners were reasonable in the amount of money they claimed for their property the improvement would have to wait or be abandoned. He hoped there would be a compromise which could be accepted by everyone.

City Councillor Donovan conducted the hearing for the people of East Boston. The speakers included Institutions Commissioner James E. Maguire, former Representative George F. Murphy, Representative William H. Barker, Capt. William P. Coughlin, Herbert Sumner, James Collins, President Daniel O'Connell of the Board of Trade, and John Boyle.

Park Commissioner Long was directed by Mayor Curley to give the improvement further study, and to try if possible to work out a satisfactory compromise. Deputy Park Commissioner John J. Martin was also present.

ATLANTIC WATERWAYS GROUP INSPECTS CAPE CANAL







Steamer Calvin Austin, bearing members of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways association as they were greeted at Bournedale on their passage through the Cape Cod canal Thursday. Upper right: Mayor James M. Curley, Boston, who spoke to the gathering on shore, and below, Harry B. Ivers, Wareham, president of Southeastern Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce, which staged the demonstration on the banks of the canal.

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More Than 1,000 Aboard.

More than 1,000 delegates and their friends were aboard the ship. Among them were Harry S. Dowden, secretary of the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce and vice president of the association; Senator Donald W. Nicholson, Wareham; Congressman Charles L. Gifford, Cotuit; Representatives Lewis Hathaway and William Thomas, Fall River; Mrs. Alton H. Worrall and Mrs. Carl Webber Illig Jr., Onset Women's club committee on waterways; and Lemuel C. Hall, Wareham.

The Wareham band was brought to Bournedale early and played while waiting for the steamer and delegates. It was directed by Joseph Lucier, blind Wareham musician.

Major General Lytle Brown, chief of Army engineers, declared to the delegates that he stood ready to approve in principle the improvement of the waterway and construction of a tidal lock to combat the adverse currents.

J. Hampton Moore, former mayor of Philadelphia and president of the association, asserted that "All must be convinced that the Cape Cod canal must be widened and deepened."

Congressman Charles L. Gifford said he believed the trip would be of great benefit and, from his talks with members of the party, was confident that great impetus had been given to the movement of widening and deepening the canal. The congressman expressed some doubt about an appropriation for the canal being included within the pending rivers and harbors bill, but felt assured that a substantial appropriation would be voted by Congress within the next year or two.

The Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce was well represented with the following present: Walter O. Luscombe, president; Harry Dowden, secretary; Oscar Nickerson, L. E. Boyden, Joshua Nickerson 2d, William Makepeace, C. D. Crawford, John Holway, E. C. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. John Hinckley, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Chipman, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Baker, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Norris, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Megathlin and Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Myre. Harry T. Dowden, secretary of the chamber, was chairman of the reception committee.

CLINTON ITEM 10/9/31

IF MAYOR PASSES BOX

Mrs. Hutton Says She'll Give Half He Obtains to the Poor

IN BOSTON

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"You know," said the mayor, as he presented the couple a shillalah from Ireland, "Texas Guinan offered to give us half the profits she makes when she comes to Boston next January for a week."

Aimee responded, "We could give you more than that if you'll come to one of our meetings and take up the collection for me."

"I'll do it," the chief executive agreed.

Following the meeting, Mayor Curley announced that he had instructed Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman to draw up an agreement which would be turned over to Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox. Fox, in turn, will take the agreement to Aimee's business manager for his signature.

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The evangelist countered with the proposal that the mayor assist in collecting the offering and agreeing that if he would she would contribute half of the receipts, above expenses, toward the funds of the city welfare board. Then, as the visit ended the mayor presented Mrs. Hutton an Irish shillelah.

Later the mayor instructed the corporation counsel to draw up the necessary legal documents so that the city may collect the money.

NEW BRITAIN RECORD 10/10/31

UNEMPLOYED TO GET AIMEE HELP

Half of Proceeds of Boston Revival To Be Donated for Charity Work.

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David Hutton's birthday gift today to his bride was a platinum "slave bracelet."

"Is it a slave bracelet?" he was asked.

"No, no, no," he replied.

"Why, certainly it is," said Aimee. Then her husband agreed.

Numerous other gifts came to the famous woman evangelist on her 39th birthday.

PITTSFIELD EAGLE 10/10/31

Aimee After Visit with Curley Finds She Has Given Up Real Cash

Mayor of Boston Announces Evangelist Has Agreed to Turn Over One Half of Net Receipts of Meetings to Unemployment Fund—Mayor May Have To Take Up Collection.

BOSTON, Oct. 10, (AP)—Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton celebrated a birthday yesterday—and it promised to be an expensive one.

It was a call on Mayor James M. Curley of Boston that proved costly. The Los Angeles evangelist, here for a 10-day campaign, confessed that yesterday was her 39th birthday anniversary. So, with her husband, she went to the city hall to pay her respects to the city's chief magistrate.

The formalities over, Mrs. Hutton was greeted with the suggestion from the mayor that it being better "to give than to receive" she might well do her share toward relieving the distress of unemployment by sharing the receipts of her evangelistic campaign with the needy.

The evangelist countered with the proposal that the mayor assist in collecting the offering and agreeing that, if he would, she would contribute half of the receipts, above expenses, toward the funds of the city welfare board. Then, as the visit ended, the mayor presented Mrs. Hutton an Irish shillelah.

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Thought Mayor Joking

Aimee's attitude during the interview first was that the mayor was joking. She said the expenses of the revival would be $2600 a day and when she rose to go, after the mayor had steered the conversation back three times to the sharing of the profits, her party was still uncertain as to what had been agreed. Frederick C. Winters, her business manager, pressed for a clear statement on the issue, said it was agreed that if Mayor Curley comes down to the Boston Garden every night and helps collect the offering, the welfare board will receive one half over and above expenses ($2600).

But there was no uncertainty in the mayor's mind. At the conclusion of the interview he dictated a formal statement on the "agreement" and instructed Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman to draw up the necessary legal papers so that Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox may collect the money agreed to be paid by the evangelist.



Aimee McPherson Hutton

Mayor's Statement

After the visit Mayor Curley issued the following formal statement:—

"Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton with her husband waited upon his honor, the mayor, today and at the suggestion of the mayor agreed to turn over half of the net proceeds of the free will offering of the revival meetings to be held at the Boston Garden, for the benefit of the public welfare department of Boston. Mrs. McPherson Hutton stated that the expenses of conducting the meetings were about $2600 a day but that she would be very pleased to cooperate and turn over one half of the net receipts to the city. His honor's suggestion for such distribution was predicated on the agreement of the management of the Boston Garden to turn over one half of the proceeds of the exhibition to be conducted by Texas Guinan there for one week."

MANCHESTER UNION 10/8/31

Visiting Lord Mayor



—Photo by News Events Photo Service, N. Y. C.

Lord Mayor and Mayoress, George Frank Titt of Manchester, Eng., who will be greeted by a reception committee and city officials Saturday when they visit Manchester for a tour of the city. Their stay will be so brief that a public function, previously planned, will be cancelled. They were photographed aboard the S. S. Baltic as the ship was about to dock in New York City.

Because of the briefness of the visit here, the committee announced its regrets that it will be impossible to hold a public function. The revised program will include the sightseeing tour upon the arrival followed by the official visit at City Hall and then the party will go to the Manchester Country club for lunch after which there will be a brief program.

All arrangements for the reception of the English visitors are being completed today and although the lord mayor will not be able to stay here very long, the committee wants to make his visit one long to be remembered.

Ald. Albert L. Clough was named by the aldermen Tuesday night as the official spokesman for the city government at the exercises to be held at City Hall shortly after 11:30 o'clock. A committee from the Board of Mayor and Aldermen will also be in attendance.

The reception committee, with Mrs. Moreau, will meet the English visitors at the railroad station and escorted by a squad of motorcycle officers, will start a trip through the Amoskeag yards. Arrangements have been made to enter some of the mills if the lord mayor wishes to do so.

They will come out of the yards at the northern end and continue on Canal street, up the River road to Stark park. Then the motorcade will go through the principal streets of the North End on the way to Oak hill for a panoramic view of Manchester. On the return to the city, there will be a stop at the Currier Art gallery, the Carpenter Memorial library and the Institute of Arts and Sciences.

Stop at Fire Station.

There will be a brief stop in front of the central fire station. A few years ago officials of the Manchester, Eng., Fire Department wrote to the local department asking for information of the fire alarm system and pictures of the fire alarm and telegraph room. The English city officials had been informed that the local system was a model installation.

The visitors will then continue to City Hall where the lord mayor and his party will be officially greeted by the city government representatives in the absence of Mayor Moreau. It will be at these exercises that the lord mayor will present a gift to the city, with the acceptance speech from Alderman Clough.

It is expected that the ceremony at City Hall will be over by noon after which the visitors will continue their motor ride down Elm street to the Queen City bridge and down Second street to the Manchester Country club where souvenirs will be presented the visitors.

The program at the country club will be brief as the visitors must take the 2:43 train for Boston. The lord mayor has engagements to fulfill there in the evening.

Standish Willcox, one of the secretaries to Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, will accompany Lord Mayor Titt to this city.

MANCHESTER, ENG. MAYOR ASKS UNITY FOR WORLD GOOD

Cooperation by Nations Neded, He Asserts on N. Y. Visit

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—(AP)—George Frank Titt, lord mayor of Manchester, told the British Empire Chamber of Commerce today that in his opinion the world was no longer divided into separate countries, only by realizing this and through cooperation between the nations, he said, would a reconstruction of the world of industry and finance be possible.

"We are no longer separate entities of nations," he said. "We are really one vast nation now. New inventions, cables and radio, airplanes and fast steamers, have made the world of such small proportions, that we should look upon each other recognizing that the good health of one country depends upon the good health of the other nations."

Schedule Forces Change in Reception Plans Here

When the citizens committee learned yesterday that Lord Mayor George Frank Titt of Manchester, Eng. and his official party will be in Manchester only four hours, the program arranged last week had to be somewhat revised. The visitors will arrive here by train at 10:30 o'clock in the morning and will return to Boston on the 2:43 train in the afternoon.

FITCHBURG SENTINEL 10/10/31

Mayor Curley invited Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton to turn over half of her net proceeds from the Boston revivals to unemployment relief. She accepted, and then invited the mayor, since money matters are preying so heavily upon his mind, to come and receive the collection himself on the opening night. The betting is that the mayor will not accept.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/7/31

DETAILS COMPLETED FOR BENEFIT CLASSIC

Holy Cross and Boston College Officials Decide to Take Proceeds of Only 32,000 Seats—25,479 Admissions to Go to Idle

BOSTON, Oct. 7.—All details connected with the staging of the annual Holy Cross-Boston College football game in the Harvard Stadium, Thanksgiving afternoon, for charity, were completed at a conference of the representatives of each college, the Harvard Athletic Association and the city of Boston, here late yesterday afternoon in City hall.

Mayor Curley, who originally suggested the colleges play for the unemployed of Boston, offered each school the proceeds of the first 37,000 seats sold, but the college representatives agreed that if they received the proceeds of 32,000 seats they would be entirely satisfied. This will leave 25,479 seats in the Stadium to be sold for the benefit of the city's poor and jobless.

A flat price of $3 a ticket was decided upon for the admission charge which means that if every seat in the Stadium is sold a sum of $76,437 will be realized for charity.

The two colleges out of the amount that they will receive have agreed to stand the entire expense of the policemen, ushers, ticket sellers, gatetenders, football officials, etc., as well as the cost of the tickets and advertising. They will also pay for the contract which has been made for the use of Fenway park, but President Bob Quinn of the Red Sox has agreed to take a cut and will receive only $15,000 for the ballyard.

Will Handle Tickets

Harvard, in addition to giving the colleges the use of the Stadium free, have agreed to take complete charge of the game arrangements with the exception of handling the tickets. Students and alumni of each institution, will apply the same as usual to their own college for pastboards.

The game is scheduled to start at 1.45. The usual free list will be suspended for the first time and even the coaches will be required to purchase tickets. Only the actual members of both the Boston College and Holy Cross football squads, working newspapermen, and members of both the Harvard, Dartmouth and Stanford squads will pass the gate tenders with free tickets.

Attending the meeting yesterday, were Charles J. Fox, budget commissioner, and Mayor Curley's chairman; Cleo O'Donnell and John P. Curley, the rival athletic directors; Carroll Getchell of Harvard, Fr. C. M. Roddy and Fr. T. J. Phelan of the Boston College and Holy Cross faculty; John B. Hynes, assistant city clerk; Joseph P. Lyons, assistant city corporation counsel, and George Clarkson, Boston College A. A. business manager.

WORCESTER POST 10/7/31

Many Seeking War Memorial Contract

State Commission Hears From 103 Architects

(Special to The Post)

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Oct. 7—One hundred and three Massachusetts architects have entered the competition for furnishing the type and design of the memorial to men and women who have participated in all Massachusetts wars is was announced yesterday afternoon by the war memorial commission of which Gen. Charles B. Wheeler of Pittsfield is chairman.

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The five selected as the best will each receive $1000. From the five will be selected the prize winning design which will receive an additional prize of $2500 and be recommended to the Legislature as the design for the memorial and a second design the author of which will receive an additional prize of $1000. The final selection will not be made until after the architects of the five winning designs have conferred with the commission. This will be probably early next month.

QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 10/7/31

103 ENTRIES FOR DESIGN OF MEMORIAL

Project in Honor of Former Soldiers Brings Unusual Response

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COURIER - CITIZEN 10/7/31

DEEPER CANAL AT CAPE URGED

Atlantic Waterways Association Speakers Favor Passageway Large Enough to Accommodate All Sizes of Vessels, Equal in Size to Panama Canal —Cost Would Be $23,000,000.

BOSTON, Oct. 6 (AP)—The belief that the ultimate solution of the Cape Cod canal problem will be a channel comparable to that of the Panama canal and costing many millions, was expressed tonight before the 24th annual convention of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association by Col. S. A. Cheney, United States district engineer at Boston.

Col. Cheney was one of four government engineers to address the night session of the second day of the convention.

Curley Urges End to War Debts.

Earlier in the day the delegates heard J. Hampton Moore of Philadelphia, president of the association, survey its progress since its organization; listened to Mayor James M. Curley advocate the abrogation of war debts and the abolition of armament as a solution of depression and were told by Governor Joseph B. Ely that business in Massachusetts was on the mend.

In advocating a wider and deeper Cape Cod canal, Col. Cheney said that vessel tonnage passing the latitude of Cape Cod by both the outside and the canal routes had more than doubled in 10 years. "This freight is now being carried in steamers or Diesel vessels instead of in sail, and the trend in naval construction of coastwise vessels is always to larger units," he said.

Change Would Save Time.

"In the operation of these large units each one involving a large amount of capital, time is an important element. The larger freighters now run up and down the coast almost on a passenger schedule and much of the coastwise freight is carried in combined passenger and freight vessels.

"Time therefore is an important consideration and time can be saved by shortening the distance or increasing the speed. There is a limit beyond which it is not economical to increase the speed."

Deep Sea Route Alternative.

Col. Cheney pointed out a ship using the outside passage by way of Pollock Rip channel would frequently be in a precarious position if it drew over 25 feet despite the efforts of the War department to maintain a 30-foot depth. The alternative route by way of Great Round Shoal afforded a somewhat better depth, he said, but frequent fogs made the route impractical for larger vessels. The only other route, except the canal, was the deep sea route outside of Nantucket lightship.

Canal Saves 166 Miles.

"The saving in distance of the canal route on a run between New York and Boston over the Pollock Rip route is 65 miles," the colonel said. "The saving in distance of the canal route on the same run via Nantucket lightship is 166 miles. Considering the present trend in the development of coastwise commerce, its steady and considerable increase and the growing use of larger units to carry it, these distances are worth saving.

"The ultimate solution of the problem of the Cape Cod canal will, in my opinion, provide a channel on this route capable of handling all sizes of commercial and naval vessels. In other words, we must ultimately provide there a canal equal in dimensions to the Panama canal.

Col. Cheney estimated that a proposal now before the rivers and harbors committee of Congress to widen the Cape Cod channel from 100 to 250 feet on the bottom and to deepen it from 25 to 30 feet, together with a tidal lock and a high level traffic bridge would cost more than $23,000,000.

Lt. Col. Ralph Ward of the United States engineers, representing the second New York rivers and harbors division, discussed the waterways of northeast New Jersey with particular reference to the proposed "missing link" canal which would join up the inland waterways from New York to Florida.

N. J. Canal to Cost $100,000,000.

He described the survey ordered by the last Congress to determine the engineering practicality of the project which, Col. Ward said, it had been estimated would cost at least $100,000,000. Col. Ward discussed the varying merits of a sea level canal and a lock canal and said that the relatively large expenditure for the comparatively short distance was one to warrant the most careful investigation.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 10/7/31

CURLEY PRESENTS AIMEE McPHERSON WITH SHILLELAGH

BOSTON, Oct. 9.—Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton was observing her 39th birthday anniversary today, and Mayor James M. Curley gave her a shillelagh, a fitting present for one about to start a nine-day campaign against the devil spirit.

The chef at Hotel Lenox, where Aimee is making her headquarters baked a big birthday cake for the evangelist, and a party was held in her suite. David Hutton, her rotund husband, gave her jewelry.

Aimee's opening revival service will be held at Boston Garden tomorrow night, when she will preach on "The Crimson Road." The leader of the Four Square Gospel movement and her husband arrived at Boston airport yesterday after an aerial trip from the Pacific Coast.

PATRIOT - LEDGER 10/7/31

EXPECT AUTO RATE HEARING TO CLOSE SOON

Mackay Indicates Bill Will Be Ready Within Two Weeks

(Special to the Patriot Ledger)

STATE HOUSE, Oct. 7—Senator John D. Mackay of Quincy, presiding at the hearings on proposals for changes in the present compulsory automobile insurance law, declared this morning that the joint insurance committee is making rapid progress and expects to have a bill prepared and before the legislature for action within 15 days.

Significant in the developments at yesterday's hearing was the appearance of Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman of Boston, representing Mayor James M. Curley and the association of City and Town Counsels and speaking against the two princpal features of Governor Joseph B. Ely's insurance plan.

Opposes Demerit Plan

The break between Governor Ely and Mayor Curley was indicated when Silverman opposed the deductable and demerit rating features.

Mr. Silverman urged the legislative committee to favor several of the so-called Goodwin proposals, and asked the promulgation of the existing rates for next year. He then proceeded to outline a program for the Legislature to follow which "would enable it constitutionally and legally to promulgate these rates."

Mr. Silverman took the position that if the Legislature were to pass measures which would ultimately save money for the insurance companies writing automobile policies, with the amount of saving a matter of conjecture to be determined in the future by experience, the court would be unable to say that the 1931 rates, established for next year, would be confiscatory.

"Confiscation," Atty. Silverman declared, "must be based entirely on fact and while the saving to the companies from these proposed enactments could only be conjectured, the court would be unable to make such a finding."

He urged the passage of the Goodwin notice, rating and accident bureau, and guest claim elimination bills.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/7/31

BOSTON COLLEGE TO PLAY HOYAS THANKSGIVING

Unemployed to Benefit From the Game in Harvard Stadium

Boston, Oct. 7 — The annual Boston college-Holy Cross football game, scheduled for Fenway park, November 28, will be played instead at Harvard stadium on Thanksgiving day, and surplus receipts will be given to Boston's unemployment relief fund.

Mayor James M. Curley, who, with President A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard university, was largely instrumental in arranging the transfer, estimates the game will provide $75,000 for jobless relief. Tickets will sell at $3.

Had the game been played as scheduled it would have conflicted with the Dartmouth-Stanford game, to be played at Harvard stadium November 28.

CONCORD MONITOR 10/7/31

James Michael Curley, stormy petrel of Boston's gale-swept political deep, used to work himself into a delightful frenzy every now and then, with the Boston Post's "corruption" and "double-crossing" as his pleasurable theme.

Hub Democrats are touchy folk, and there are wheels within wheels in party organizations there.

Somebody is always discovering himself to be sold out, in fact or in fancy, and Jim Curley, more than once, identified the Post with his "underhanded" enemies.

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Curley's favorite line of attack was a verbal assault on the Post as a firetrap and, in consequence, a physical, as well as mental and moral, menace to the town.

"You can always know rats by the holes they nest in," James Michael used to roar to sympathetic crowds. "The Boston Post occupies quarters on Washington street in this city, and those quarters are so antiquated and tindery that a spark would loose a conflagration in them. When I'm mayor—and I will be mayor—my first act will be to see that honest fire inspectors condemn that building. Then the rats will have to seek another hole."

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That sounded swell, and Post reporters enjoyed it as much as Mr. Curley.

Curley was elected, as things turned out, but he didn't tear down the Boston Post, nor force New England's biggest morning paper to look around for a new location for its $12,000,000 worth of taxable machinery.

Instead he wrote Cliff Carbury, the Post's managing editor, a formal note on his personal stationery, thanking the Boston Post for its "fairness" and "non-partisanship," and assuring its editors that he appreciated their "accurate" handling of the news of his rallies.

HAVERHILL GAZETTE 10/7/31

103 ARCHITECTS ENTER CONTEST

Will Offer Designs For Bay State Memorial

STATE HOUSE, Boston—There are 103 Massachusetts architects entered in the competition for furnishing the type and design of the memorial to men and women who have participated in all Massachusetts wars, it was announced yesterday afternoon by the war memorial commission, of which Gen. Charles B. Wheeler of Pittsfield is chairman.

The number of entries makes the competition one of the largest ever held in this state.

Some time ago the war memorial commission decided to locate the memorial in the Back Bay Fens near the Richardson bridge on Boylston street, Boston. This decision was reached after a conference with Mayor Curley and the Boston city planning board.

A competition was then ordered for type and design. It closed late Monday with entries by mail and express receivable today. It is understood that virtually all the outstanding architects of the state entered drawings.

The drawings were sent to Rogers hall at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology yesterday afternoon. The commission will begin tomorrow the task of selecting the design and type but it is not expected to reach a decision before Friday afternoon because of the largest number of entries and the profusion of excellent designs.

The five selected as the best will each receive $1000. From the five will be selected the prize winning design which will receive an additional prize

Sorton maintains that "the reaso floating power, free wheeling and th kick of an eight can be put into four-cylinder car of the Plymouth price class is Walter Chrysler."

WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/8/31

Football Teams Will Do Their Bit

The plans under way in various parts of the country to have prominent football teams play for charity embodies an excellent idea. Compared with the money being spent on relief, the sums to be realized may appear unimpressive, but that is not the point.

If the Army and Navy game duplicates last year's financial results, it will net $400,000, which seems small enough by contrast with the $20,000,000 which the state of New York is appropriating for relief. Mayor Curley of Boston hopes that a Thanksgiving Day game between Holy Cross and Boston College will produce $76,000.

If he had desired to divide the proceeds between the two cities, in proportion to their population, Worcester's share would have been less than a week's cost of its welfare department. Yet Boston's relief work will gain by this contribution, as the work elsewhere will benefit by the proceeds of such games.

Any one familiar with college athletics knows that to donate the proceeds of the big game of the season means a real sacrifice. Football has a hungry family of lesser sports to provide for in every college. The country over, huge sums are derived from football, but the athletic program usually calls for all the money that is received.

The Army-Navy game is an exception, since the teams would not meet this year, if they did not play for charity. Still, it means something to add a hard game to the season's schedule. And wherever teams meet for this object, the college boys will be setting an example which ought to stimulate popular interest in the nation-wide drive, which will soon be on, for this winter's relief.

NEW BEDFORD TIMES 10/7/31

DISTINGUISHED MEN AT CANAL CEREMONIES

Mayor Curley, Governor Ely Among Those Expected

ALL IN READINESS FOR VISITORS

Platform Erected at Bournedale for Addreses

A number of distinguished guests, including Mayor James M. Curley, Boston, and John H. Small, chairman of the Congressional committee on rivers and harbors, will make a landing at Bournedale tomorrow afternoon to address the assembled Cape Codders when the steamer Calvin Austin carrying members of the Deeper Atlantic Waterways Association and the committee on rivers and harbors makes its inspection trip through the canal.

Although it has not been definitely determined, it is expected that Governor Ely may be one of the guests to address the large gathering on the canal banks. The boat will have about 2,5000 distinguished visitors aboard.

The Calvin Austin will leave Boston at 10 a. m. and is expected to reach the Sandwich entrance to the canal at 2 p. m., arriving at Bournedale a half hour later.

Captain Harold L. Colbeth, superintendent of the canal, has made arrangements with the Sandwich coast guard station to have a boat at Bournedale to take off a group of the guests at that point and a platform has been erected from which they will give addresses. They will board the Calvin Austin again after it has proceeded through the canal turned around at Wing's Neck and returned to Bournedale about 4:30 p. m.

The party will have their luncheon on board the steamer. Three men from the Southeastern Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce, Senator Donald W. Nicholson, Selectman Theodore A. Robinson and Lemuel C. Hall, all of Wareham, will make the inspection trip from Boston with the other guests.

Through the courtesy of the National Fireworks, Inc., West Hanover, daylight fireworks salutes will be fired off from the banks of the canal as the ship passes through. The Cape Cod Drum Corps which recently returned from the American Legion convention at Detroit has donated its services in welcoming the distinguished visitors.

It is expected that both banks of the canal will be lined with residents of the Cape and vicinity to welcome the steamer. Several prominent Cape residents are to speak briefly at the informal program at the Bournedale banks, explaining the need for improvements of the Cape canal.

The local arrangements are under the direction of Harry B. Ivers, president of the Southeastern Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce.

An unusually strong tide will slow up the excursion steamer carrying the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association and will give a special opportunity to the hundreds from Cape Cod and vicirnity who will gather on the Bournedale shore.

Capt. George G. Rochester of the U. S. Engineers' office at Bourne reports that the tide will start to run east at 12:10 p. m. Therefore a vessel entering the canal at 2 o'clock will have a head tide and pass a given point much slower than she would on her return trip.

For the benefit of Onset Bay celebrators Capt. Nathaniel Ellis has offered his excursion boat Evelyn which will go down the canal and return as an escort to the 2500 visitors.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 10/7/31

B. C.-HOLY CROSS CHARITY GAME SET

Boston Expected to Get $76,500 from Tilt at Stadium on Thanksgiving Day.

BOSTON, Oct. 6 (AP).—Arrangements for the Boston college-Holy Cross unemployed football game at Harvard stadium on Thanksgiving afternoon were completed today as representatives of the three institutions conferred with Boston city officials.

Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox, who appeared for Mayor James M. Curley, said that the tickets would be priced at $3 and that the receipts from the first 32,000 tickets sold would go to the Boston College and Holy Cross Athletic associations. This sum of $96,000 represents a sell-out at Fenway park, the original site. The receipts from the remaining 25,500 sats, or $76,500, will go into the city of Boston's fund to relieve unemployment.

Commissioner Fox said that Harvard was not only willing to donate its stadium for the charity game but had also offered to supply the tickets. It was also announced that the Boston Red Sox management had agreed to materially reduce its claim on the game.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 10/7/31

CURLEY ACCEPTS INVITATION TO ADDRESS BOURNEDALE THRONG

Boston Mayor Will Disembark from Deeper Waterways Commission Boat Thursday to Make Speech — Celebration Preparations Well Underway

With assurance from Mayor Curley of Boston that he will disembark from the Atlantic Deeper Waterways commission boat Thursday at Bournedale and address an expected throng, construction of a speakers' stand was going ahead today, and preparations were under way for an extended celebration.

Curley Accepts Invitation.

Mr. Curley's acceptance of the invitation to speak on the Cape was brought from Boston by Harry B. Ivers of Wareham, who consulted Boston's mayor and also Governor Ely Tuesday concerning the commission's trip and southeastern Massachusetts's interest in development of the canal. The governor, Mr. Ivers said, will be unable to attend.

The commission is to travel on the steamer Calvin Austin. The boat will also carry a host of notables from this region, including Walter O. Luscombe, Falmouth; Congressman Gifford, Lemuel C. Hall of Wareham, Selectman Theodore A. Robinson, Wareham, Selectman Benjamin F. Bourne of Bourne

To Center at Bournedale.

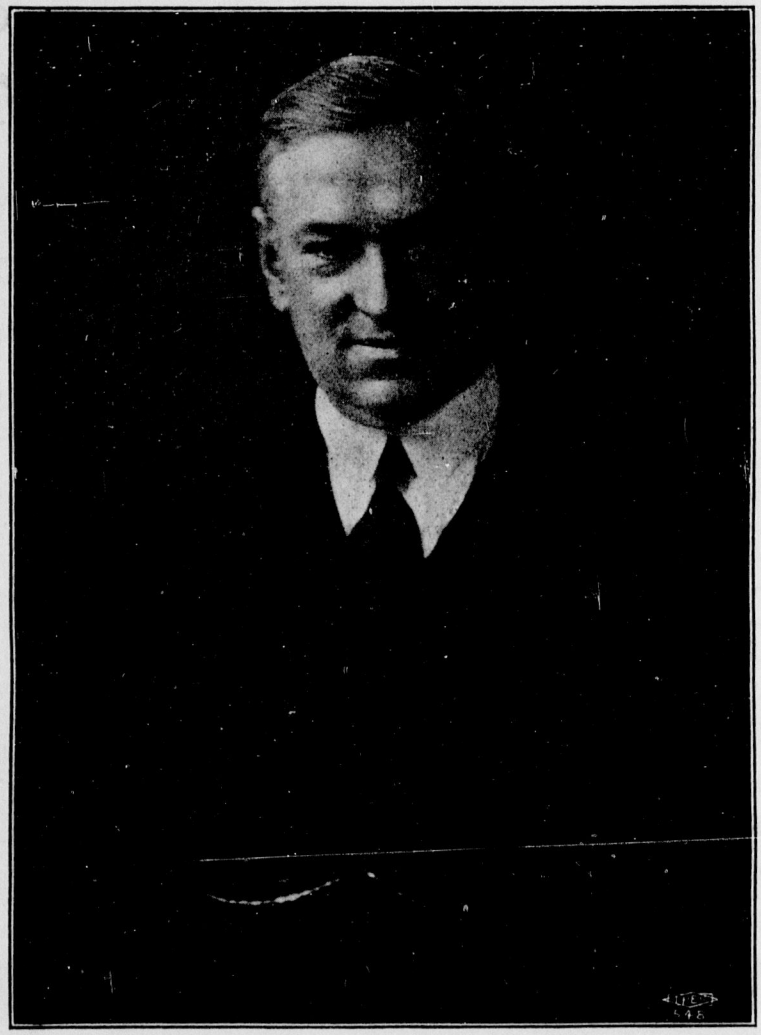
Although it is expected that crowds will line both banks of the canal as the Calvin Austin passes through, the celebration will center at Bournedale.

The Cape Cod Drum corps will take part in the program. Arrangements were under way today with the National Fireworks company at Hanover to have salutes and daytime fireworks set off along the shore as the vessel proceeds. Arrangements are also under way in an effort to obtain an aviation display.

The Calvin Austin upon leaving Boston Thursday will be acclaimed by airplanes and by Boston fireboats, which will send up streams of water in celebration of the trip.

Port News BOSTON, MASS., OCTOBER 7, 1931

Boston's Energetic Mayor Welcomes Waterways Assoc



HON. JAMES M. CURLEY

This is Boston's most famous present citizen. "James Michael" to his intimates and the fearless executive to his enemies. The Mayor is vastly interested in upbuilding the port, and wishes he could devote more time to harbor affairs as he envisions a great awakening for the port. He sent Frank S. Davis to the last convention and invited them to come to Boston, for which the port owes a debt of gratitude to both Curley and Davis. Mayor Curley is studying a big program of how more commerce may be secured for New England via the Port of Boston.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/7/31

B. C.-H. C. OFFICIALS DISCUSS GAME TODAY

BOSTON, Oct. 6 (INS)—The proposed meeting of Harvard, Boston College and Holy Cross athletic directors with city authorities to discuss the charity football game to be played in Harvard Stadium Thanksgiving afternoon, was to be held this afternoon at City hall at 2.30 o'clock.

Originally listed for yesterday afternoon, the meeting was postponed until today in order to allow all parties concerned more time to make preliminary arrangements. Mayor James M. Curley was expected to make an official announcement this afternoon at the conclusion of the discussion.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/7/31

HITS CANAL PROJECT AS THREAT TO N. E.

Troy Mayor Opposes St. Lawrence Route at Hub Convention

BOSTON, Oct. 6 (INS)—Charges that the proposed St. Lawrence River Canal project would seriously affect New England shipping had been made today by Mayor Cornelius F. Burns of Troy, N. Y., speaking before 900 advance delegates to the 24th annual convention of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Convention.

Mayor Burns stated that the St. Lawrence plan, in which the Federal government proposed to invest $500,000,000, would mean the scrapping of the New York free barge canal, which represents an investment of $180,000,000. He said also that the possibility of increased Canadian commerce and much of the Great Lakes trade would be diverted from New England outlets by the St. Lawrence plan.

Mayor Burns warned his hearers against the allocation of New England railroads to trunk line carriers serving ports more favored than Boston. He said that the Boston and Maine railroad might find it profitable to extend its services over waterborne highways through its western terminus at Troy, through the barge canal to Oswego and Buffalo.

Capt. John P. Magill, shipping expert of the Maritime association of the Port of New York, pleaded for co-operation among ports for an all-year, two-way water transportation system from Portland, Me., to Key West, Fla., picturing the benefits which New England would enjoy through such a waterway.

Lauds Progress of Association

BOSTON, Oct. 6 (AP)—The progress of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways association during the 24 years of its existence was reviewed and found good today by its president, J. Hampton Moore of Philadelphia. Moore spoke before the 24th annual convention of the association.

Mayor James M. Curley, in welcoming the delegates complimented the association upon its objection plan, declaring that if the Federal government had a plan modeled after it there would be no period of depression. He asked the association to go on record as favoring cancellation of war debts in exchange for disarmaments. Mayor J. Fulmer Bright of Richmond, Va., responded to Mayor Curley.

Gov. Joseph B. Ely told the delegates he favored widening the Cape Cod Canal. He agreed with Mayor Curley in urging that needed public construction be undertaken as a relief to unemployment and while money may be borrowed at low rates. The governor said he saw indications that prosperity was returning to Massachusetts.

John H. Small, of North Carolina, former chairman of the Congressional Rivers and Harbors committee at Washington, responded to the governor.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 10/6/31

Executive Compensation and Other Public Salaries

Real estate associations down Boston way had reason to be alarmed by Mayor Curley's proposal to reduce the working week of various groups of city employes without a reduction in pay. But it may be questioned whether the Massachusetts Real Estate Owners' association is either practical or tactful in offering a counter-proposal that the mayor's own salary should be reduced from $20,000 to $7000.

The executive's compensation seems high enough, to be sure, but the suggestion of a 65 per cent reduction clearly involves the question whether the salary is proper in normal times, and it is better at this time to concentrate on a reasonable percentage of reduction that officials and employes can be asked to take in order to meet the emergency. Industrial and other corporations which have cut wages 10 per cent have cut salaries by a larger percentage, but a 65 per cent lowering of official compensation is beyond practical consideration in a going concern—which the city of Boston undoubtedly is.

The Massachusetts Real Estate Owners' association also recommends a 25 per cent reduction in the salaries of all city employes, except police and firemen, who, as the resolution well says, "risk their lives in 'defense of the home and public 'safety." This, too, seems an extreme proposal for Boston, unless it be assumed that Boston is headed the way of Fall River. Suggestions for salary reductions should be as practical as possible so that there will be less resistance to necessary measures of municipal economy. Fortunately a substantial saving in schools and other public departments could be made by a reduction that would leave the purchasing power of the individual unimpaired. If an occasion arises for the lowering of real wages that can be considered at the proper time. Reduction of normal expenses is made necessary not only by the public's reduced income, reflected in actual and prospective shrinkage of the state's income tax collections, but by the burden of abnormal expenses in providing for the unemployed. Expenditures for public welfare by Massachusetts cities for the year are estimated at $15,680,000, against $7,911,000 in 1930.

Mayor Curley has not proposed a reduction of his own compensation, and, therefore, has not joined Congressman Treadway's demand for a salary revision starting with himself. Mr Treadway's proposal that the compensation of congressmen and senators be reduced by $2000 a year, has not, apparently, been received with whoops of joy by the Berkshire congressman's colleagues. Yet, as a beginning of a general revision of federal government salaries, it is worthy of consideration. The federal government needs economy as acutely as the local units and more than some of the state governments. The public is not going to be made happy by an increase in the federal income tax another year—and that now seems unavoidable unless the ruinous policy of borrowing to meet current expenses is unwisely continued.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 10/6/31

PLAN FOR H. C.-B. C. GAME

A conference will be held in the Boston City hall this morning to work out the final details of the B. C.-Holy Cross football game at the Harvard stadium, now definitely set for Thanksgiving Day. Mayor Curley, Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox, Corporation Counsel Silverman, John P. Curley, B. C. athletic director, and Cleo O'Donnell, athletic director at Holy Cross, will attend the meeting.

FITCHBURG SENTINEL 10/6/31

Harvard offered the Stadium to the cause and the college heads readily consented to the change. Mayor Curley of Boston suggested the unemployment benefit angle and that helped greatly to get all the college heads to sanction the change. That means Dartmouth and Stanford will have no opposition on the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

COURIER-CITIZEN 10/6/31

LONGSHOREMEN WAGE COMPROMISE OFFERED

Union Wants Overtime Night Rate Retained but Concedes Cut of Meal Hour Scale.

BOSTON, Oct. 5 (AP)—Longshoremen today offered a compromise arrangement in their disagreement with Boston shippers over wages. The compromise was made during the closing minutes of the second of two conferences which had been held during the day.

The union men offered to accept a reduction of 50 cents an hour for work during the noon-day meal hour but want to retain the $2.40 an hour overtime rate for night work. At present they are paid $2.40 for night work but given $1.70 for noon-day meal hour work.

The shippers, longshoremen and representatives of the Boston port authority conferred on the wages and sling-load questions. The union men hope the shippers will concede their demand for a limited sling-load of 1500 pounds in view of the longshoremen's concession on the overtime pay. The conference ended late today and tomorrow morning the shippers will meet to consider the offer of the workers and make known their stand on the matter at an afternoon session with the union's representatives.

Workers on the piers of the Luckenbach Lines went on strike last week in objection to unlimited swing-loads. They want loads limited to 1500 pounds as a matter of safety. While this disagreement was fomenting, the International Longshoremen's Association signed an agreement in New York on Sept. 30 which met with the disapproval of the Boston union members, who sought the retention of the old scale of wages. A general strike developed but Governor Joseph B. Ely and Mayor James M. Curley urged a compromise and as a result a truce, lasting until tomorrow night, was called.

NASHUA TELEGRAM 10/6/31

Now is the time for the very best offices of Governor Ely and Mayor Curley in the matter of settling the Boston dock strike, which was understood to have been settled by them last week.

10/7/31

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE

An American ultimatum to European nations to disarm and this country will cancel their war debts is the one sure method of restoring prosperity here and abroad, Mayor Curley told members attending the institute of the Massachusetts committee of the White House conference in Boston last night.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/5/31

CURLEY COMMENDS CATHOLIC CHURCH'S WORK AT HOLYOKE

Boston Mayor Gives Address at Diamond Jubilee of St Jerome's Parish

Holyoke, Oct. 4—Praise for the course of Catholicism in Holyoke and a plea for steadfast faith in the present depression were made tonight by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, speaking at the city hall auditorium in the diamond jubilee celebration of St Jerome's church.

Treating the present outlook, he said the Russian opposition to religion must fail, that interallied war debts should be canceled and that man's attitude toward his brother should change so that the now dormant spirit of cooperation "must be aroused among all classes."

Mayor Curley recalled that Holyoke's water-power facilities demanded large numbers of workers and that the city was once known as "Ireland Depot." "The Irish came to work with their hands, for they were poor," he said. "I have often asked myself whether the contribution of the immigrant to American prosperity has ever been properly assessed and recognized.

"The history of Holyoke and the surrounding country is filled with examples of men whose fathers and mothers came to this country to improve their condition, gave to their sons and daughters an education, of which they themselves had been deprived, and these sons and daughters have taken front rank, whether in the professional, political or commercial world.

"The history of this church has been one of unbroken service down to this day. The commandments of God and the church have been taught and observed, and there is no one who looks back either in memory or in history to the work of the various pastors from Father O'Callahan's day down to this, who will not say that in all the activities to which it has directed itself, the church of St Jerome has not been a powerful force for good.

"Its care has been not only of the adults, but of the little children, and the school has grown side by side with the church so that the young might be trained in their plastic age to love and fear God, to keep his commandments and so to regulate their lives from the beginning as to be exemplars of the best American citizenship.

Commends Father Harkins

"I am sure, no one will charge me with bias or prejudice in favor of one pastor more than another, if I single out for brief mention the work of Father Harkins, who has had a longer association with this parish than any other, and who came here in 1866, laboring here for 30 years and more, and seeing during that time, the town grow from 5000 to 50,0000. His service was unremitting.

"No day passed without seeing from his hand some worthy action done. The old and the young and the sick, the footsore and the heartbroken found in him a father. While he felt that he was primarily the guardian of the souls of his parishioners he did not forget their material wants. The Harkins house, devoted to the care of aged women, is known the country over, and the first parish school, the second in the diocese opened in 1868, when 350 girls came to the four teaching sisters. These numbers, numbers attending the parochial schools boys and girls, have grown so that I question whether any other city in this diocese or entire New England, has proportionately as much to show in the way of the training of children, whether in secular pursuits or in the abiding truths of religion.

Says Russia Can't Kill Religion

Russia today is engaged, he said, "in a policy atheistical to the core, and determined to put out the very lights of heaven. But Russia struggles in vain. God is on his throne. While the prospect is dark, we have faith to believe that the situation is but a passing one and that the people will, in God's own time, realize that he alone is their helper, their guardian and their strong fortress. History is replete with examples of the abandonment by peoples of God, but this desertion has never been more than temporary."

Discussing the situation today, he said, "I am here simply insisting upon the fact that we must not despair. Divine Providence has not abandoned us. We have only to do our share What in a word is the trouble with the world? Only what is has been at any other time. Man has forgotten the second great commandment which is like unto the first. 'Thou shalt love they neighbor as thyself.'

"Too many lack heart; too many look with unconcern upon the troubles and the misery of others; too many hope to find happiness here; too many forget that yearnings for happiness, taking certain material form and realized, are followed by other yearnings, and that there is no real happiness here.

Says Wealth Split Unequally

"This is seen particularly in the accumulation of immense sums of money in the hands of a very few. There is no such thing as an equitable distribution of wealth. The rich hug their riches almost to adoration, forgetting that the great mass of men are struggling along making, if they are fortunate enough, a living wage, but too few making a saving wage.

"Various remedies have been suggested to relieve the present depression. The five-day week is fast gaining supporters. Some expedient of the kind must be resorted to for there is no doubt that in this age the machines have taken the place of the worker, and jobs are not only vanishing, but have already vanished. People are in a state of fear, and the only thing to fear in this world is fear. Millions are out of work; in some cases jobs are gone and gone forever, and some plan must be arrived at to take up the slack."

"Man's attitude toward his brother should change. Vast accumulations of money in the hands of a few should yield to a situation where those who are now struggling should have more and those who have a surpluse should in some way as a measure of justice distribute it among those who have less.

Finds Humanity Unprotected

"It would seem as if a new order had come in which everything must be done for the dividend without any consideration whatever for the individual who makes the dividend possible. We have laws for the protection of the so-called machine, but how little is done to protect and defend the greatest of all machines, the human machine. The spirit of cooperation must be aroused among all classes. It now lies dormant.

The foundations have been laid so strong and firm and deep that I can almost see in fancy what under God is in store for you.

"I have forborne up to the present time to say anything about your present pastor. I know his modesty, and yet in the number of things which I have heard about him and his work, I find not a single discordant note. He is worthy of his predecessors. Could there be higher praise? And I wish for those who in due time are to succeed him, the same high quality which fits him to be the pastor of St Jerome's church now on the occasion of its diamond jubilee.

"What a glorious line of pastors. They have been true shepherds of their flocks. May this blessing rest upon this parish forever. Again, Father Fagan, let me congratulate you, first upon the excellent parish and parishioners over whom you preside, and when 25 years have rolled by and the 100th anniversary of this parish will be observed, may one powerful note be struck in the observance, a note of grateful memory of priests and parishioners, who in a century have been worthy of this church building, and of the saint who has given it its name. And on that 100th anniversary may priest and people look on with gratitude to you of the present and may the speaker who stands in my place 25 years from now, be able to say as I believe he will be, that the 25 years intervening have been worthy of the 75 last past. Can there be any higher praise than this?"

"By the help of God man has been able at all times in history to solve either local or world problems. The present problem is ours to solve. But the problem is not simply local. It is world wide. Who could expect that the aftermath of a world war could leave us in anything but a wretched condition? The Dawes plan and the Young plan have been simply palliatives. They are not cures, and confidence in them has about disappeared.

"I am sure that the interallied debts might as well be canceled, and that soon, for canceled they must be. Let us get about it and that at once.

"Our churches are crowded as never before. Man has ceased to depend on man for the solution of the serious problem now crying for solution. Perhaps a better day is ahead of us when man will resort to God as his final recourse. Those of us who were born and reared in the old church realize that the three great virtues, faith hope and charity, are the greatest of virtues. Men are coming to have a more intense faith, brighter hopes, and an ever widening charity or love."

Praises Hospital Work

Remarking on the advances in law and medicine within 75 years, he said, "I made some inquiries a few days ago about the work of this city, and parish, for the health of the people, and I have been told that among the great works for which Mons Harkins is remembered and will continue to be remembered is the Providence hospital. In this great diocese hospitals in large numbers have been reared, but I think there is none that gives greater service than Providence hospital, founded by Father Harkins in 1873. Just think of it, it was laid in a little cottage with a capacity of a dozen beds in South Hadley Falls. Father Harkins placed it in the care and management of the Sisters of Providence, and Dr J. J. O'Connor spent himself in their service.

"In 1894 the present Providence hospital was completed, and from that time to this the nursing of the sick and suffering has been carried on without intermission. What a glorious

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record. Twenty-five years ago, a wing was added, giving additional private rooms, children's rooms, utility wards, and another operating room. In 1917 the Harkins property next to the hospital was converted into a maternity hospital providing accommodations for 25 mothers, and in 1918 a nursery was built caring for new-born infants. Since the opening of this building 5895 mothers have been treated. Improvements have been steadily carried on and so excellent was the work of this hospital, that in 1921 it received grade-A classification from the American College of Surgery, and has maintained this standard until now.

"From 1873 to 1894 the number of patients was 2013; and from 1920 to 1930, 45,608, and during the entire service a total of 84,817.

Rise of Parochial Schools

"The growth of parochial schools in Springfield diocese has been wonderful. From 1840 to 1864 Catholic schools were taught by lay instructors, except in brief periods in Chicopee. In 1872 the first parish school for boys was established at St Jerome's, Holyoke.

"In the last decade 24 schools were organized, with 12,000 pupils received. Fully 46,000 pupils are registered in parochial schools, with more than 1600 religious teachers. Do you realize what the organization and the carrying on of these schools mean in the way of sacrifice on the part of Catholics?

"Whenever a parochial school rises have you thought what this means to the taxes? What would the tax rate be in the cities and towns of the country were it not for the sacrifice of Catholics in the maintenance of Catholic schools? And Catholics are glad to be helpful. The work in secular learning and cultural training matches and even surpasses those of the public schools, and in addition give the moral culture sadly needed today in America as never before.

Congratulates City

"I congratulate the city of Holyoke and its other Catholic parishes upon the stupendous growth made in the last 75 years. I rejoice that the influences of this first church, inspiring the erection of other parishes, Irish, so-called, French, Italian and Polish, is a promise of other and better things, if possible, to come. No ill or need of the soul or body of man goes unanswered or unsatisfied. The growth of the diocese has been marvelous. Its succession of bishops from O'Reilly in 1870 to the present chief shepherd, now happily and successfully reigning, has been so steady and so efficient that there is more than ground to hope that the future holds out things now undreamed of.

"Coming as I do from the great archdiocese of Boston, I bring you the congratulations of that archdiocese and its eminent head, who wishes you for the future the blessing of God which has been yours from the beginning. I am sure of your future."

FALL RIVER HERALD-NEWS 10/6/31

Curley Calls Halt to Sandwich Distribution

BOSTON, Oct. 6—Mayor Curley yesterday called a halt to the practice of the Rev. Paul Noyes of 38 Harding street, Belmont, who has on two occasions distributed sandwiches on the Common, in a letter in which he charged "that from the publicity given your act by the press it is apparent to me that you are more concerned in obtaining publicity for your meagre offering than you are in aiding the needy."

NASHUA TELEGRAM 10/6/31

A HAPPY SOLUTION

Staging the Boston College-Holy Cross football game at the Harvard Stadium Thanksgiving Day is a happy solution of a rather embarrassing problem. More, it guarantees a tidy sum for the unemployment fund that is sure to be much needed this winter. The Dartmouth-Stanford game, scheduled for the Saturday following the holiday, which Saturday is the regular day for the encounter between the two great Catholic colleges of Massachusetts, bade fair to cut into the receipts of the B. C.-H. C. struggle and for a time there was official objection. Now everything has been arranged satisfactorily. Harvard donates the use of her stadium, the game is put ahead only two days, Mayor Curley realizes his desire for a big "charity" game.—Boston Post.

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DOCKMEN OFFER TO COMPROMISE IN WAGES FIGHT

Boston Longshoremen Ready to Accept Lower Rate During Noon Hour — Shippers Confer Today

Boston, Oct. 5 — (AP) — Longshoremen today offered a compromise arrangement in their disagreement with Boston shippers over wages. The compromise was made during the closing minutes of the second of two conferences today.

The union men offered to accept the overtime rate of $1.20 an hour for work during the noon-day meal hour but want to retain the $2.40 an hour overtime rate for night work. At present they are paid $2.40 for night work but given $1.70 for the noon hour.

The shippers, longshoremen and representatives of the Boston port authority conferred on the wages and sling-load questions. The union men hope the shippers will concede their demand for a limited sling-load of 1500 pounds in view of the longshoremen's concession on the overtime pay. The conference ended late today and tomorrow morning the shippers will meet to consider the offer of the workers and make known their stand on the matter at an afternoon session with the union's representatives.

Workers on the piers of the Luckenbach lines went on stroke last week in objection to unlimited sling-loads. They want loads limited to 1500 pounds as a matter of safety. While this disagreement was fomenting the International Longshoremen's association signed an agreement at New York on September 30 which met with the disapproval of the Boston union members, who sought the retention of the old scale of wages. A general strike developed, but Gov Joseph B. Ely and Mayor James M. Curley urged a compromise and as a result a truce, lasting until tomorrow night, was called.

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PERFORM WORK OF STEVEDORES

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POLICE DIVIDE LINES AT LUCKENBACH PIER

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Mayor Curley is surely a busy man. About a minute after he left the Hotel Nonotuck last night, a Boston newspaper was trying to reach him by telephone for an interview regarding the conference at his office today.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 10/5/31

Miss Mary Curley, daughter of Mayor Curley, accompanied her father here, and met a number of local people at the reception in Mayor Dillon's office, previous to the auditorium exercises.

BROCKTON TIMES 10/6/31.

MAYOR CURLEY TO SPEAK AT LADIES' NIGHT

A special meeting of Whitman council, Knights of Columbus, was held Saturday evening at K. of C. hall to take action upon the death of Brother Thomas H. Kane. It was voted to drape the charter for 30 days and to send a delegation to the funeral.

A meeting of the council will be held this evening when final plans will be made for the ladies' night, Oct. 19. Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, a member of Shawmut council, Knights of Columbus, will be the speaker. State and district officers will be present as well as Rev. Fr. John J. Starr and Rev. Fr. George Sullivan.

Monday morning, Oct. 12, the council will attend the high mass at the Church of the Holy Ghost to be sung by Rev. Fr. John Starr for the deceased members of the council. All members are requested to meet at K. of C. hall at 7.45 a. m. that day.

NEWBURY PORT NEWS 10/6/31

Makes an Appeal for Lasting Peace

To the Editor of the News:—The executive committee of the National Grange, meeting to deal with the agricultural crisis which so directly concerns its 800,000 members, issued Wednesday a statement which flatly contradicts the "bring better business by beer" bunkum with which the public is being so assiduously besieged just at present. Had this statement been wet in sentiment it would have greeted us in the morning papers in gigantic headlines. Being so absolutely pro-prohibition, the Metropolitan press hid it—in my paper it was on page 10 and not given a very large headline. The big city press gave similar treatment to Gandhi's condemnation of the liquor traffic in India in the course of his recent radio address.

May I have space to quote from the statement issued by the Grange executive committee? It tells us "At various times during the past few years, the National Grange has made studies regarding the economic effects of prohibition upon the farming interests. The facts disclosed by these studies show conclusively that the resumption of the brewing industry in the United States would be detrimental to the interests of agriculture." Stating that the per capita consumption of dairy products has increased 242.7 pounds during the period of 1917 to 1929, the committee says, "If, because of the resumption of brewing, the per capita consumption of dairy and poultry products should drop to the same level as in the days of the saloon, agriculture would suffer a tremendous loss and one it could ill afford to bear. It stands to reason that if the American people should spend a large proportion of their earnings for beer, they would have just that much less to spend for food, clothing and shelter."

In other words, not only the farmer but every worker in industries producing socially valuable products would suffer as a consequence of the resumption of a business that is socially detrimental and could give employment to only a small number compared to the number that would thereby be thrown out of employment in legitimate industry. It is very noticeable to those who think deeply and unselfishly that Germany and England, perhaps the two countries suffering most financially at the present time, are countries where beer flows freely.

Those who are shouting for beer would serve God and country far better by seeking the real causes of the great crisis in which the world finds itself. I often find myself in sharp disagreement with Mayor Curley of Boston (as on this liquor question) but it seems to me that he spoke the truth in saying, "I firmly believe that what we should do today to solve the great problem that confronts us in connection with these war debts, is to abrogate all war debts on the agreement by the foreign countries to a plan of universal disarmament upon a basis acceptable to us. Now is the psychological moment to accomplish this." He further says, in speaking of the saving which would be effected in America by abolition of our armed forces, "In 16 years this would pay off our own federal indebtedness."

This suggestion of Mr. Curley would need to be accompanied by the adoption of some such program of industrial planning and co-operation (as opposed to ruthless competition and unplanned individualism) as the recently advanced "Swope plan," named for the originator who is president of the General Electric Company. Let the foolish and futile shouting for a socially undesirable and destructive drink give way and let us all put our shoulders to the wheel and secure such changes in international relations and our economic system as will bring us lasting peace and an ample livelihood for every family on earth. In the last analysis what we need is deeper even than any plan or program; it is a spiritual revolution for which every believer in a good and loving personal God may work together irrespective of creedal differences. This need John Oxenham has put for us in two memorable lines of poetry.

"If we would build anew, and build to stay,
We must find God again and go His way."

Yours truly,
FRANKLIN P. FRYE.

Amesbury, Oct. 2.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/5/31

CRUSADERS-EAGLES PLAY TURKEY DAY

Final Arrangements for Harvard Stadium Contest to Be Made Tomorrow

Holy Cross and Boston College will play their annual football game on Thanksgiving afternoon, Nov. 26, this season instead of on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, and the contest will take place at the Harvard Stadium instead of at Fenway park.

The athletic heads of Holy Cross and Boston College will meet with Mayor Curley and Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox at City hall in Boston, tomorrow morning, to make final arrangements relative to the staging of the game. The meeting is scheduled for 10.30 o'clock and Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman will sit in to aid on the legal aspects of the arrangements.

Tomorrow's meeting, according to Budget Commissioner Fox, will consist mainly of signing such contracts as are necessary. Because a share of the receipt will be devoted to municipal public welfare, the city of Boston will co-operate in the handling of the game.

The staging of the Holy Cross-Boston College game on Thanksgiving Day in the picturesque Harvard Stadium is rather in the nature of an innovation, but it will enable thousands of football enthusiasts to be on hand, who ordinarily might have to miss the contest because of Saturday business connections.

The attendance at Crusaders-Eagles football clashes during the past few years have not been as large as formerly, but there is little question relative to the turnout for a grid classic between the rival Jesuit Colleges on Thanksgiving Day.

At the same time it will clear the path for the intersectional tilt between Darthmouth and Leland Stanford on Saturday, Nov. 28, at Harvard Stadium. For a time it appeared as though the intersectional game at the Stadium would have opposition in the form of the Holy-Cross-Boston College struggle at Fenway Park, but the new arrangement does away with anything of conflicting nature.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 10/4/31

Scant Progress Toward Auto Insurance Results

Legislative Sentiment Uncrystalized in Face of Special Session—No Talk of Repealing Compulsory Law—Await Ely's Details on His Plans—Three of His Five Changes Find Favor—Deductible Policy Is Crux—Flat Rate Cannot Win, Writer Observes, and Analyzes Crisis

DR. JAMES H. GUILFOYLE

BOSTON, Oct. 3—Despite the special session of the Legislature and a week of hearings on the problem of the rising compulsory motor vehicle insurance rates, there has been little progress toward crystalizing legislative sentiment. The present confusion and divergence of opinion offer little encouragement to an early agreement—principally because legislators are considering the problem from the standpoint of their districts rather than the motor car owners' standpoint.

The only definite conclusion at this time is that the proposal for a flat rate cannot prevail at the special session. The western and central Massachusetts members who represent zones not hit hard by the increase are solidly against it. They can see no advantage to their districts in a flat rate which, they fear, might be higher.

Governor Ely, since his message with recommendations for changes in the law, has maintained a policy of watchful waiting. He is sitting back and letting the legislature wrestle with the problem, but it is evident from his attitude that at the proper time he will make a fight for his program.

Three of Five Favored

Developments to date have produced a favorable reaction to three of his five recommendations and a fairly favorable reception to another. The governor's task seems to be to sell his idea of a deductible policy, under which a motorist would pay small claims. The governor has not elaborated on his idea of such a policy but it is understood that before the hearings close he will present bills that detail the ideas in his special message.

The governor believes the crux of his entire program is the deductible policy and he will particularly exert himself to sell that idea. The most talked of proposal for such a policy is that the insured care for the first $100 in claims. The administration is of the opinion that if the motorist has to dig into his own pocket and contribute a part of the damage assessment it will help eliminate many fraudulent claims and make the driver more cautions.

In other words, instead of being little concerned with results of accidents because he insured he will be aroused to an active interest because of the affect on his own pocketbook.

There is considerable opposition to the deductible policy from organized forces. The principal point raised thus far is that it removes the protection for which a motorist pays and that it may increase the size of claims by those who would be concerned only with what they could get out of the insurance companies.

There are some who also believe the deductible policy will encourage fraud and collusion, arguing that many of the slightly injured will connive with the insured to make a larger claim and refund to him all but what they receive from the insurance company.

The Guest Clause

Just how valid these arguments are cannot be determined until the governor elaborates on his plan. He may offer a law that will knock these criticisms into a cocked hat. Until his ideas are made plain, argument on the deductible policy is largely in the dark; and it has been characterized by a lack of definiteness.

The other point at issue is the elimination of guest cases; that is, cases in which a guest in a car of a driver at fault may sue the host and collect on his compulsory insurance. The only argument against this is that it deprives the insured and the injured of protection now afforded. It is not intended to deprive the guest in the car of the operator not at fault and logically there seems to be no reason why the careless operator should make his insurance company pay his guests.

Governor Ely has closely studied the figures segregating the variety of claims. He says the number of guest cases is not impressive but they do present a total which, if eliminated, would cut a small percentage from the losses which make the rates. It is by cutting down losses here and there, no matter how small, that he hopes to bring a reduction in rates.

There is strong sentiment for a demerit rating system and for the governor's recommendations for strengthening the law with regard to notice of accidents, within a limited time to insurance companies.

Governor Ely is confident his program will be adopted, for, he says, his careful study of the entire case, including the statistics of the rating bureau, which cannot be disputed, has convinced him it is the only way relief can be achieved. Other programs, he says, will not stand up under analysis.

The Prospects

The insurance companies have thus far been silent on the governor's program. Their position is that they will not, and really cannot, take any stand, until they know exactly what it proposed by the governor through actual bills. The insurance company attitude may play a very important part in the adjustment of the problem.

The administration apparently holds a whip hand over the insurance companies and will not hesitate to use it if they take a position against the program. If the insurance companies are ready to compromise and accept the governor's suggestions, some of which they approve, then the administration will devote itself to pushing the program. If the companies fight the proposals they don't want and appear to enlist any legislative sympathy, then the administration program may be abandoned.

The governor knows that with the present public feeling it would not be difficult to arouse a strong sentiment for a state fund. He has reserved the right to address the special session if later developments warrant.

The insurance companies want, least of all, a state fund. Therefore it is assumed at the State House that if they do not meet the governor half way in his program he will declare that the insurance interests will not co-operate in his effort to reduce rates and that the last resort is a state fund.

Administration advisers believe this attitude would be greeted with public acclaim and would be a strong political move. Governor Ely, however, is sensitive to the difficulties of the insurance companies. He believes the honesty of the figures of losses and claims upon which they predicate their claim of losing money.

He is anxious for co-operation for a mutual solution and will hesitate a long time before employing the "state fund whip." He does not believe that now is the time to employ spectacular methods for accomplishment.

About Curley Committee

The real line of demarcation between the governor's program and the proposals of other organized forces will come next week when Mayor Curley's committee of city and town solicitors is heard.

The Curley committee, which may prove formidable because it is representative of all the counties of the state, takes issue with the governor on all deductible policy and demerit rating.

The fact is the Curley committee program is in reality Frank A. Goodwin's program. There is a feeling that the opposition to the governor's suggestions is more political than practical. It smacks of an effort to frame something a little different to prevent the governor from getting any credit for the final disposal of the problem.

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The Curley committee program has not been favorably received but there is a danger that it may provoke sufficient support to keep the Legislature from reaching any settlement.

The governor is represented as feeling that the Curley committee program, while impressive on paper, does not offer any solution that will stand fire.

The mere promulgation of 1931 rates for 1932 will not help the situation in the opinion of the chief executive. He is represented as holding to the opinion that the only way the 1932 rates can be reduced is through changes in the law that will offer potential elimination of losses and thus warrant reductions on a substantial base.

Details

Other than acceptance of his proposal for elimination of guest claims, the Curley committee program provides a new rating bureau under state control which would not, in the opinion of the governor, change the figures now prepared by the present rating bureau; and prompt investigation of accidents and reports for public inspection, neither of which plans offer encouragement to reduction of losses since they attack the effect rather than the cause.

Mr. Goodwin has individually filed bills to provide for the guest claim elimination and prompt notice of accidents as recommended by the governor, but he also asks penalty for persons convicted of fraud and investigation of accidents by the motor vehicle registry.

Mr. Goodwin joins with the Curley committee in opposing the demerit rating system and if the legislature can get in the frame of mind to agree on a program this demerit rating proposal may take its place with the deductible policy as the principal bone of contention. There is no question of a strong legislative sentiment for demerit rating. It has been suggested many times in the past by representatives of zones hard hit by increases in rates. The difficulty in establishing such a system would probably come through difference of opinion on details of operation.

Governor Ely does not believe the details present any serious obstacle, however. He is represented as feeling that the administration of a demerit rating system should be in the hands of the registrar of motor vehicles with arrangements for appeal. He would award demerits on the basis of the seriousness of the offenes as well as for repetition. When the proper times comes he will probably have a representative present his views.

On the deductible policy he probably will meet some of the objection by pointing out that it would not prevent those who desired to do so to purchase full protection. The rates promulgated by the insurance commissioner, however, would cover only for the deductible policy. The full coverage would be an extra charge fixed by the insurance company just as they now fix the charge for extra-territorial coverage. The same rule could be applied to the guest claims. The insured could purchase additional insurance covering this phase.

WORCESTER POST 10/5/31

Clerks Perform Duties of Striking Longshoremen

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Ely Making New Attempt To Settle Wage Dispute; Longshoremen Back at Work

Three Ship Lines Refuse to Enter Truce and 'White Collar' Workers Help Unload Vessels; General Strike Feared Unless Accord Is Reached By Tomorrow

Boston, Oct. 5—Steamship company officials, labor leaders, and representatives of Gov Ely and Mayor Curley were scheduled to confer again today in an effort to settle a wage dispute between longshoremen and the companies.

Most of the union waterfront laborers were expected to resume work, as they did Saturday, under terms of a temporary truce established Friday. The truce expires tomorrow and a general strike was feared in the absence of a settlement by that time.

The longshoremen agreed to have their overtime pay reduced from $1.30 per hour to $1.20, but demand double overtime for work on Sundays, holidays and during meal hours, whereas the companies want this reduced to double time, or $1.70 per hour.

The Luckenbach, Cunard and White Star lines refused to enter the truce. Strikebreakers continued to load and unload Luckenbach liners at Commonwealth pier yesterday, while union men were "working" American-Hawaiian liners at the same dock, but there was no recurrence of Saturday's rioting, in which a strikebreaker suffered a skull fracture.

Twenty-seven "white-collar" workers employed at local offices of the Cunard line "worked" the steamers Transylvania and Caledonia, which arrived yesterday. Each was delayed about two hours in sailing due to the makeshift arrangement. Among the 27 improvised stevedores was Francis Peabody Hamlin, member of one of Boston's oldest families.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 10/3/31

Holyoke Church to Have Diamond Jubilee Sunday

Elaborate Celebration Is Planned for St. Jerome Parish; Program Includes Mass, Parade and City Hall Exercises.

HOLYOKE, Oct. 2—The diamond jubilee celebration of St. Jerome parish Sunday gives evidence of surpassing any event ever observed in the city with the possible exception of the 50th anniversary celebration. The executive committee held its final meeting tonight in the parish rectory, hearing all reports.

Not for many years has so much interest been stirred up over a celebration and reports have been received that former parishioners now located in nearby and distant cities will be here to attend the religious services, witness the monster parade of some

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 10/4/31

B. C.-Holy Cross to Play in Cambridge for Unemployed

Boston (AP)—John P. Curley, Boston college athletic director, announced Saturday night that Holy Cross and Boston college had agreed to play their annual football game in the Harvard stadium for the benefit of the unemployed. The game will be played on Thanksgiving day. The action was the result of a suggestion of Mayor James M. Curley.

Mayor Curley announced earlier in the day that the Harvard Athletic association had granted him the use of its stadium on Thanksgiving and that he had invited Boston college and Holy Cross to play there on that day for the benefit of Boston's unemployed.

He said he would confer with officials from both colleges on Monday and would ask them to accept the usual gate receipts they would draw with a capacity attendance of 35,000 at Fenway park, the scheduled site, and turn over the remainder, estimated at $100,000 if all of the stadium's 58,000 odd seats were sold, to the city's unemployed fund.

Boston college and Holy Cross were scheduled to play on Nov. 28, the same day that Dartmouth and Stanford have their inter-sectional clash at the stadium.

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In the midst of graver problems the changes continue to be lightly rung on the interchange of challenges between Gov Ely and Mayor Curley to a round of golf. Staunch supporters of the governor may be disposed to interpret the mayor's offer to play the governor for the nomination in 1932 as a confession that that would be the only way in which the mayor could get it—which would be a back-handed tribute to the strength the governor has established by his performance in office. As for the quality of the governor's golf, evidence appears lacking. The big sign which advertises a certain attractive course to the west of Westfield as "Gov Ely's Home Course," neglects to state what the governor goes around in or whether he goes around at all.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 10/5/31

EAGLES-HOLY CROSS GAME AT STADIUM

Rev. Fr. James H. Dolan, president of Boston College, late Saturday night gave his approval to the playing of the annual Boston College-Holy Cross football game in the Harvard stadium on Thanksgiving Day for the benefit of the unemployed of the City of Boston.

The departure from the Eagle-Crusader football rivalry, in that a new date and neutral field will be used, follows after a week of activity in which Mayor James M. Curley of Boston conferred with President A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard and received his consent to use the stadium for a charity game on that date. The next move will be made today when Budget Commissioner Charles J. [illegible] meets the authorities of Boston College and Holy Cross and settles the preliminary details.

An unusual situation thus is created in the football history of this section. Holy Cross and Boston College have met on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, either at Braves field or Fenway park. This year, Dartmouth is to play Stanford in the stadium on that date, thus marking an innovation at the Allston stadium. Now the transfer of the Eagle-Crusader contest to the stadium finds six different colleges using the stadium

CHELSEA GAZETTE 10/8/31

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A wide difference of opinion still exists in the matter of proposed compulsory automobile insurance legislation. The city and town solicitors who have been considering this matter for some time and who were called together by Mayor Curley of Boston have voted to oppose the deductible policies and the demerit plan as advocated by Governor Ely in his message to the Legislature Monday. They have, however, submitted their own program which includes a state rating and accident bureau with full power to investigate all accidents and claims, also the limitation of time for insurance claims, the elimination of liability for guests, provision for investigation of all accidents involving personal injury by State inspectors, and the promulgation of the 1931 rates as the rates for 1932. The report of the solicitors was submitted to the joint committee which opened hearings Wednesday morning.

There are those who are of the opinion that so far as new legislation is concerned in meeting the present high rates of automobile insurance, nothing will be accomplished because of the attitude of the insurance companies and others who seem to be unable to agree on a substitute law. This would be most unfortunate if not unfair to the automobilists who are expecting the Legislature to meet this issue fairly and squarely.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 10/2/31

STEVEDORES' STRIKE AVERTED IN BOSTON

Governor Volunteers to Act as Intermediary in Dispute Over Minimum Wage.

BOSTON, Oct. 1, (AP).—A general strike of longshoremen in Boston was averted today through the action of Governor Joseph B. Ely, who volunteered to act as intermediary. After a two-hour conference between the steamship companies' representatives and the workers in the governor's office it was agreed that the workers would continue under their present wage arrangements until the arrival of Joseph P. Ryan of New York, president of the International Longshoremen's Association.

The association's officials signed an agreement in New York yesterday whereby a minimum of two hours' pay at $1.20 an hour would be paid for Sunday and holiday work. When word of the agreement reached Boston the longshoremen voted to strike before noon today unless the shippers agreed to pay them for a minimum of four hours for Sundays and holidays.

Shippers and workmen went into conference during the morning and while the meeting was in progress Mayor James M. Curley sent word he was willing to act as intermediary. The conferees went to the City Hall but when they reached there they were told the governor would assume the role of intermediary. With the mayor they then went to the State House, where a private conference was held.

The workers agreed to stay at work until Ryan arrived to take up the negotiations with the shippers. The shippers were pleased to accept the arrangement, inasmuch as they feared damage to the perishable shipping now on the docks.

The longshoremen started their fight for the maintenance of the present wage scale yesterday and during the morning two disturbances occurred in the vicinity of the docks. One man was beaten and a taxicab damaged by thrown bricks while bringing meals to men still at work.

Ryan sent word he would arrive in Boston tomorrow morning in time to attend a conference of shippers and longshoremen.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 10/2/31

HARVARD DECLINES TO DONATE RECEIPTS

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CAMBRIDGE TRIBUNE 10/3/31

EXTEND SYMPATHY TO QUINN FAMILY

Telegrams of sympathy from prominent people in the city, state and nation were received by the family of Ex-Mayor Quinn following his passing away on Wednesday. These include Joseph T. Tumulty, secretary to President Wilson; Governor and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, of New York; Governor Ely, of Massachusetts; Monsignor Lacey, of Ogdensburg, N. Y.; John E. Swift, state officer of the Knights of Columbus; James A. Farley, chairman of the New York state Democratic committee; Daniel J. and John E. Kelley, of Great Neck, N. Y.; Charles Sandy Chapman, from Wheeling, W. Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah O'Connell, of Chicago; Senators Marcus A. Coolidge and David I. Walsh; George B. Moran; DeWitt De Wolfe, secretary to the governor of the state; Joseph M. Kirby, state deputy of the K. of C.; Russell E. Hoyt Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars; Cambridge Post, American Legion; Irish National Foresters of America; John F. Malley, national P. E. R. of Elks; Dennis J. Sullivan, ex-mayor of Salem; Charles Maginnis, president of Charitable Irish Societies; John F. Fitzgerald; Francis X. Hurley, state auditor; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Feeley.

Mayor James M. Curley, of Boston, and daughter, Miss Mary Curley, called on the Quinn family Wednesday evening to personally bring their expressions of sympathy. Traffic Commissioner Joseph Conroy and Congressman Pehr Holmes, of Worcester, were other callers.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 10/3/31

Tax Appeals

Because the new Board of Tax Appeals has been reducing valuations fixed by the Boston assessors Mayor Curley urges its abolition and the enactment of a law requiring abatement cases to be tried before a jury.

That cities and towns would fare any better if Mr. Curley's proposal were adopted is questionable. He stresses the fact that in land takings by the city the juries frequently award damages in excess of the assessed valuations. So they do, but fixing the sum which a property owner should be paid for his land is different from fixing the sum at which he should be assessed. Juries frequently show a disposition to soak the city. In cases of land-takings this would lead to high valuations, and in abatement cases to low ones.

The mayor was stirred to action by a case in which the owners of property placed on it a valuation of $75,000. The assessors put it higher, but compromised on $95,000. The owner appealed and the board fixed the value at $45,000. The owner's assent to the $75,000 valuation does not prove the board in error. The fact is that real estate is generally over-assessed, and valuations would be difficult to sustain before any impartial tribunal.

The assessors are supposed to know land values, but we sometimes wonder whether the full and fair cash value stipulated in the tax law can be determined with any certainty. It is amazing how real estate men of sufficient knowledge of values to qualify in the courts as expert witnesses disagree in such matters. In condemnation proceedings, for example, the city's experts will value property at twenty thousand dollars, and the owner's experts at sixty—an amazing discrepancy, yet not larger than is found in many cases tried in the courts. Who can say, when the doctors disagree like this, what the true value is?

The law being what it is, uniformity in valuations appeals more to the taxpayers than the fair cash value. Valuations, after all, are only one factor in the essential thing, which is the amount of taxes paid, and there is no particular advantage in getting valuations lowered if the gain is offset by an increase in the rate. Owners do want to feel, however, that their valuation is on the same general level as all others, and that all are being treated alike.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 10/3/31

Mayor Curley would meet Governor Ely in a golf match, the stake to be the Democratic nomination for the governorship of Massachusetts. The Hub mayor furthermore feels that he could give the Governor a stroke a hole and win the nomination and that he could give the Republican nominee two strokes a hole and win.

The mayor made his challenge at a dinner to Francis Ouimet, national amateur golf champion, at the Copley-Plaza, Boston. Governor Ely was the first speaker and he referred himself and Curley as being in the same class as golfers. After his talk, he left.

Then the mayor was called upon.

"I am sorry the Governor has left," he said. "I do not wish to take advantage of him, but I would like to meet him in a golf match for the nomination for Governor. I feel I could give him a stroke and win. And I feel that I could give the Republican nominee two strokes a hole—and win."

FRAMINGHAM NEWS 10/2/31

FROSTED FOODS AND THEIR USES ARE EXPLAINED

"Seeing is believing," so Dr. Donald K. Tressler who spoke at yesterday's luncheon of the Kiwanis Club on "Frosted Foods, and Their Uses" brought with him equipment for making a practical demonstration which removed quite efficiently any doubts that might have been lingering in the minds of his hearers.

"The apparatus consisted of two cakes of dry ice which he dropped, nonchalantly, on the tablecloth to the dismay of some of his audience who expected to see a large pool of water collecting in a short time. In addition to the ice there were two aluminum plates and two pieces of nice juicy steak. The steak was placed between the aluminum plates which, in turn, were placed between the two cakes of ice. In less than fifteen minutes the steak was frozen to an extent that it was actually brittle.

The demonstration helped tremendously inunderstanding the story of this latest method of preserving foods. Dr. Tressler, who is in charge of the research laboratory of the General Sea Foods Corporation in Gloucester, told of the various steps leading up to the present method. Quick freezing is of fairly recent date and was originally done in cold brine. Itwas found, however, that this method was apt to curl fish, the product then being frozen in this way. Various methods were tried out but it remained for Dr. Clarence Birdseye to find the answer to most of the difficulties.

Many questions were asked the speaker who handled his subject in a most interesting way without going too thoroughly into the scientific angle of the method.

Past President "Ed" Stripp presided in the abence of President Roy and to make it seem even more like old times "Huck" Berry dropped in and helped lead the singing. Lieut. Governor "Dick" Evans of Marlboro paid the club a social call and there were several other guests present including visiting Kiwanians from the Marlboro, Westboro, and St. Joseph, Mo., clubs.

The new World Series attendance contest, invented by "Russ" Norton, got under way with Ralph Coburn's team gaining a couple of runs over the teams of "Bill' Byrnes and "Don" Clark. The absent members have until next Thursday to make up their attendance so the results may be changed by the next meeting. The contest runs for the next nine weeks and some sharp competition is looked for.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 10/2/31

AUTO INSURANCE HEARING HALTED

Lack of Speakers Causes Adjournment Until Monday

By Telegram State House Reporter

BOSTON, Oct. 1. — Hearings on compulsory motor vehicle insurance collapsed today because of lack of speakers. The insurance and judiciary committees assigned to work out a solution for the special session of the Legislature heard the few men present, who developed nothing new, and then adjourned until Monday.

The committees will listen to proposals from the Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce, Frank A. Goodwin and Mayor Curley's committee of city and town solicitors next week and then, will get to work on recommendations.

Members of the committee, although surprised at the small attendance at the hearings ascribed it to a feeling that the Legislature has all the knowledge it needs to proceed to a solution.

The Senate and House held brief sessions today and aamitted various bills concerning compulsory insurance. There will be sesions Monday, Wednesday and Friday of next week. These will be mere formal meetings. The following week the Legislature itself may get down to the problem.

Favors Control Board

One of the bills filed today came from Former Senator C. Wesley Hale, of Springfield, who was chairman of the special commission which investigated compulsory insurance in 1929. His bill would create in the insurance department a rating and control board consisting of the commissioner of insurance and two associates to be named by the governor. The control board would have charge of all classifications of risks, rates, regulations, and all questions on this form of insurance. Provision is also made for the establishment of a demerit system.

Asserting that full coverage of insurance tends to increase carelessness, Atty. James T. Pugh, of Cambridge, advocated before the legislative committee today a system whereby no person should be insured beyond a certain per cent.

Attorney Pugh, however, doubted the wisdom of a deductible policy.

The present casualty insurance contract is fundamentally unsound, Harold Williams of Brookline told the committee. He urged a semi-judicial commission instituted as a part of the highway department, as cases could be brought before it within two weeks of an accident and settlements made on a reasonable basis. Such a commission would wipe out the number of cases before the courts and would wipe out much of the expense, he said.

He said that a warning that the least desirable motorists would be weeded out would be more effective than the imposition of small fines in district courts. He also favored a state fund.

William G. Marple Roslindale, a former insurance agent, favored insuring operators, instead of cars.

Rep. John S. Derham of Uxbridge told the committee there is too much litigation in connection with the settlement of injury cases. He favored reduction of litigation to bring down rates.

A traveling man advanced the suggestion of special rates for traveling men. He said he garaged his car in his home district which has a high rate, one day a week and the rest of the time traveled in the low rate zones.

SPRING FIELD NEWS 10/2/31

FETE RETIRING POLICE CAPTAIN

City and State Officials at Banquet Honoring Smith of West Roxbury

Boston, Oct. 2—Eulogized, presented with gifts, purses and good wishes and given one of the most colorful parades and demonstrations ever witnessed in West Roxbury, Capt James P. Smith, "skipper" of the police station there for the past seven years, retired yesterday.

Following roll call at the station last night Capt Smith and his wife were tendered an informal reception in the guard room. Lt Philip O'Neil presented the captain with $200 in gold and a traveling bag, the gift of the men in the station. Mrs Smith was given a bouquet.

Then a parade, witnessed by thousands of cheering West Roxbury residents and featured by torchlights and red fire, was held from the station to the municipal building, where about 500 attended a banquet in honor of the retiring captain.

In Line of March

In the line of march was a police escort, members of the John T. Fallon post, V. F. W. and band; the Samoset Canoe club; 150 Boy Scouts; members of the Irving W. Adams post, A. L. and band; members of the West Roxbury post, A. L. and band; 50 policemen in uniform, headed by Sergt Arthur Timmins; members of the James C. Shea post, A. L., and band; Capt and Mrs Smith, Lt. and Mrs O'Neil and Frank A. East, of the Ex West Roxbury board of trade in an open automobile; a delegation of Girl Scouts; members of the West Roxbury Women's club and members of the West Roxbury Citizens' association. When the parade passed the headquarters of engine 45 in Roslindale square the sirens were sounded.

Mr East presided at the banquet and introduced J. Philip O'Connell as toastmaster. The principal speech was made by Mayor Curley who, after paying high tribute to Capt Smith and his years of service in the police department, presented him with a wallet containing $1000 as a token of appreciation from the community.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/1/31

OUIMET LAUDED AT BIG DINNER IN BOSTON HOTEL

Gov Ely and Mayor Curley Have Fine Boosts for Amateur Champ

Boston, Oct. 1 — More than 300 friends and admirers of Francis Ouimet, including Gov Joseph B. Ely and Mayor James M. Curley, gathered at the Copley Plaza hotel last night to pay tribute to the recently crowned national amateur king in a monster testimonial and banquet sponsored by his Brookline friends.

High Parise

Following a bevy of speeches and laudations of the popular champion, Toastmaster Charles H. Slattery, president of the Kiwanis club of Brookline, presented a beautiful mahogany grandfather clock to Ouimet as the special gift of the sponsors of the testimonial.

The sole invited guest who was unable to be present was Bobby Jones, predecessor of Francis as national amateur ruler and grand slam artist of the links game. Instead, Jones sent a congratulatory telegram in which he once again complimented the splendid feat of Francis in winning at Beverly, and expressed his own regret for being unable to be present last night.

Toastmaster Slattery presented Gov Ely as the first speaker of the evening. The state executive said that it was a privilege for him to be present as one of the worshippers at the shrine of Massachusetts's own golf champion and the game of golf itself. An enthusiastic golfer himself, the governor continued with many amusing incidents of his own game and expressed the hope that Francis would be able to give himself and the mayor a few lessons in the near future.

This promise brought forth a challenge to the departed executive from Mayor Curley, who followed Ely in the speech-making. In a more serious vein the mayor continued that Francis Ouimet was the only human in his acquaintance who has scored two great victories in his career without gaining the enmity of a few individuals. He likened the brilliant comeback of Ouimet in golf to his own political return from retirement, only he said that his successes were always questioned by a part of the onlookers.

"It takes smoothness and generosity of disposition," said the mayor, "great fighting heart and determination like only Francis has to perform the feat he did," concluded the mayor.

WALTHAM NEWS-TRIBUNE 10/2/31

LONGSHOREMEN IN BOSTON GO ON A STRIKE

BOSTON, Mass., Oct. 2 (United Press).—Flaunting the instructions of the leaders, virtually all of Boston's 2500 long-shoremen went on strike today in protest of the temporary wage scale put into effect at the expiration of the latest agreement between the union and the steamship companies.

The walkout stalled all activity along the Boston water front.

John Doolin, vice president of the International Long-Shoremen's Association, had urged the men to remain at work pending the outcome of a conference between union executives and company representatives with Governor Ely and Mayor James J. Curley sitting in.

Joseph P. Ryan, president of the Union, was scheduled ot partake in a conference this morning. But the men suddenly decided that they must have immediate settlement of their demands.

Only the S. S. Simalore, which arrived at South Boston this morning, was being worked.

The temporary wage scale offers the workmen 85 cents an hour, with $1.20 an hour for overtime. Previously they received $1.30 per hour for overtime, and they insist on getting the same now, as well as a double amount for work accomplished during the lunch hour.

Extra police details were assigned to the waterfront. There have been several outbreaks among the longshoremen since workers on a Luckenbach liner struck in protest against allegedly excess cargo slings several days ago.

SALEM NEWS 10/2/31

Would Revive "The Miracle" for Hub's White Collar Jobless

Boston, Oct. 2—Plans for a revival of "The Miracle" in this city to give work to 500 "white collar" unemployed will be laid before Mayor Curley today by Morris Gest, former Boston newsboy who produced the spectacle here several years ago.

Gest arrived last night at the Hotel Lenox. He intends to produce "The Miracle" in seven cities on this continent and relieve the unemployment situation as much as possible.

"For two years I have been ill," he said, "but I'm coming back now. I'll see Mayor Curley and tell him of our plans for 'The Miracle.' We'll let the mayor, or some charitable agency, select the 500 men who will appear in the production—not men who are able to do hard manual labor, but 'white collar' men who can earn money as extras."

PITTSFIELD EAGLE 10/2/31

CURLEY BOOMS ROOSEVELT
(Worcester Telegram)

Mayor Curley of Boston has a perfect right to work for the nomination and election of Governor Roosevelt of New York as the next president. Mr. Curley's vigorous Lexington speech, however, is weakened by two things. In the first place his attack on President Hoover is much harsher than the circumstances justify. Both Mr. Hoover and Mr. Roosevelt are engaged in planning for the relief of the needy next winter. Their methods are not wholly the same. Mr. Hoover evidently places more reliance upon individuals and private organizations than Mr. Roosevelt does. But when Mr. Curley unreservedly praises Mr. Roosevelt while unreservedly condemning Mr. Hoover, he shows a large excess of partisan enthusiasm.

Secondly, Mr. Roosevelt's plan cannot be adopted without republican help, since the democrats are not in control of the New York legislature. Similarly, Mr. Ely needed republican support for his program of public works expansion this year, and received it, although some compromises were made. In many ways the Ely policies and the Roosevelt policies are alike. Yet Mr. Curley extravagantly lauds Mr. Roosevelt's services to New York while virtually ignoring Mr. Ely's services to Massachusetts. That looks queer, to say the least.

WORCESTER POST 10/2/31

Against Donating Receipts to Idle

Harvard Head Vetoes Grid Game Proposals

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ward and presented his plan, minus the state fund idea.

It didn't take long, after that, for the Curley committee to act. It adopted the Goodwin plan in the whole and immediately filed bills in the Legislature to bring about its enactment. One finds certain features that are along the same lines in the Curley committee plan and the Gov Ely plan. Both throw out sops to the insurance interests and then smack them hard with the other features. For instance, both favor the elimination of guest coverage with respect to compulsory insurance policies and both favor notification by the claimant for personal injuries. Thereafter, they differ widely.

Likes Demerit System

The Ely plan favors a demerit rating system, which the Curley committee decided couldn't be worked out with any degree of fairness. Gov Ely apparently believes it can; that a degree of demeriting can be worked out so that differentiation will be provided between the driver who cuts out of line going up a hill, and the one who runs into a pedestrian and cripples him for life. With only three classes of demerit, where a driver is ruled off the road, it is quite difficult to understand how this differentiation can be worked out with fairness to all, but perhaps it can.

The Ely plan favors the deductible clause in a policy, and here again, the Curley committee differs; it is distinctly and decidedly against providing for any relief of this kind for insurance companies, with consequent penalty upon the driver. If the Ely program goes through, and there is reason to believe it will, this deductible idea is going to be the toughest stumbling block the Legislature will encounter. It will find many opponents among that class of legislators who rush into print every time they see a chance of appealing to public sentiment with their sympathy, based solely on their own desire to be returned to office.

Program Similar

Another similarity in the two programs is that for promulgation of rates of the present year for 1932, as the Curley committee advocates, Gov Ely doesn't advocate any such idea, saying it could not be sustained in supreme court if the insurance companies appealed, but he does contend that if his program is enacted the resultant reduction in claims will decrease the losses the companies have to pay, and then the rates can be lowered next year, for 1933, to those now existent, perhaps even lower. The Curley committee contention is that the present rates can be justified in supreme court if its entire program is adopted, because that program can be shown to be such that it will bring about reductions in losses so that the companies will not suffer.

However, when all is said and done, Gov Ely can hardly be friendly to the Curley's committee program, because it would raise such havoc with his own ideas, based on careful study. He believes the insurance commissioner has done all that he could do for 1932 in the way of rates, in view of data bearing on the subject. He does not believe, as Goodwin does, that the company's unsworn statements as to costs are untrue. He points to the fact that the insurance commissioner has 21 employes in the insurance companies' rating bureau, going over the books, and that their investigations prove the correctness of the company data.

If the statements were sworn to, it does not seem as if it would make any difference. Companies doing business in a number of states come under the supervision of some state official in each of them, and any attempt at falsification of statistics would be discovered sooner or later and wreck the whole structure that the companies use to justify their demands for high rates.

Opposes Curley Plan

Thus, it is natural for Gov Ely, say his stanchest backers, to oppose the Curley committee idea of a state rating bureau to collate data for the insurance commissioner to use to fix rates. This would add very great expense to the state which the txapayers would have to meet and any saving in rates would be equalled to some extent by increase in taxes. If Gov Ely is convinced that the present rating bureau is all right, it is difficult to believe otherwise. He is answerable to the people in this statement, and it would seem that he would not make it unless he were convinced that it

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 1-29-31

SUGGEST STATE BOARD ON AUTO INSURANCE ACT

The special committee of city solicitors and town counsels for the several counties of the State, appointed at a meeting called by Mayor Curley of Boston, has adopted several recommendations pertaining to the motor vehicle liability insurance act, which are to be presented to the special session of the legislature. City Solicitor Thomas W. Prince represents Plymouth county on the committee.

Atty. Prince vigorously opposes the fifth clause of the general proposal of the committee because it provides for the elimination of liability to guests of the insured while riding in the car of the insured.

Mr. Prince advanced a proposal which was not adopted by the committee but which he believes will assist greatly in the solution of the present problem. The most salient point of his plan provides for the creation of a general fund to be subscribed to by autoists who are in accidents involving personal injury. He declares that such a fund could be apportioned in several ways, including the setting aside of a sum to pay the costs for hit and run drivers. He also suggests that cities and towns should be reimbursed in proportion to the number of accidents and that such money could be used for the immediate and thorough investigation of accidents.

The Recommendations.

The recommendations of the special committee follow:

"At an adjourned meeting of the committee of city solicitors and town counsels for the several counties of the commonwealth, appointed at a meeting called by His Honor, Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, it was voted that the following recommendations be made to the special session of the legislature.

"That we are opposed to the repeal of the present compulsory motor vehicle liability insurance act.

"That notices within a limited time be required from claimants under the provisions of said act for personal injuries or death, with additional provisions properly safeguarding and protecting the rights of the claimants.

State Rating Board.

"That there be substituted for the present rating bureau maintained by the several insurance companies doing business in the commonwealth, a State rating and accident bureau within the division of insurance of the commonwealth, with full power in said State bureau to collate all statistics and other information for the use of the insurance commissioner in establishing and fixing rates under said act; to investigate accidents, claims and complaints arising under the provisions of said act; and to report their findings to the said commissioner, district-attorneys and other public officials or bodies which they deem proper.

"That the present law requiring that fatal accidents be investigated be so amended as to require that all accidents involving personal injury shall be promptly investigated. The benefits to the public of prompt report and investigation of accidents involving personal injuries is so apparent that we recommend the appointment of such number of inspectors as will assure prompt investigation of all such accidents, and that the reports of such inspectors be final in the registry of motor vehicles and open to public inspection.

"The elimination of liability under said act to guests of the insured while in the car of the assured.

"That the legislature promulgate for 1932 the present 1931 rates or such lower rates as in its judgment the adoption of the above recommendations may warrant."

It was further voted:

"To oppose the writing of deductible policies under said act because no form of deductible policy seems expedient or practical, and

"That no practical demerit plan can be devised under the existing conditions which would promote a reduction in rates.

"The merits of either a monopolistic or competitive State fund as a substitute for the present act were not considered because neither plan meets the present emergency

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 10/1/31

Motor Insurance Ideas

The four principal forces now observable in the motor liability insurance engagement now being waged on Beacon hill are Gov Ely and the administration; former Registrar Frank A. Goodwin, Mayor Curley and the committee of city solicitors and town counsel, now in alliance; the insurance companies, and the "good" districts and "good" drivers who do not want their rates to go up. Most of these forces are pushing or pulling in different directions and there are numerous lesser ideas and influences, representing about everything that has ever been thought of in the way of insurance and highway reform.

The insurance companies at present appear to be standing almost alone in their desire to have compulsory insurance repealed, and this in spite of the fact that none of the other states has followed in the footsteps of Massachusetts. But Gov Ely, Mr Goodwin and Mayor Curley's city solicitor committee have definitely declared against the repeal of compulsory insurance and the feeling in the districts now favored by low rates is reported as favorable to its retention.

But the defenders of compulsory insurance differ widely among themselves. Whereas Gov Ely wants demerit rating and a deductible policy, Mr Goodwin and the Curley committee want neither. The Goodwin-Curley program adopts the Ely proposals regarding the outlawing of guest accident claims and the prompt investigation of accidents by state officers, but it proposes further the creation of a state rating and accident bureau in place of the present bureau maintained by the insurance companies. A state insurance fund is not proposed for the present by either Gov Ely, who has lately suggested it as an alternative should the insurance companies be unresponsive to his proposal of centralizing the compulsory business, or by Mr Goodwin, who heretofore has been the chief advocate of state insurance.

Little has been heard of flat rate insurance since Gov Ely proposed that the zones be modified. In view of the strong feeling in Boston and other still more heavily penalized municipalities in the eastern part of the state, it will be strange if the special session should not see a strong drive for the abolition of zoning and a strong resistance from the cities and towns which now enjoy favorable rates. Flat rating would probably mean increasing the present rates in about half the state in spite of demerit rating, deductible insurance and increased efforts at eliminating fraud, and reform in highway behavior.

GREENFIELD RECORDER 9/30/31

Opposition to Ely's Plan Is Outlined

BOSTON, Sept. 30 — Governor Ely's program for solving the problem presented by rising rates for compulsory motor vehicle insurance ran against opposition Tuesday.

Mayor Curley's committee of city and town solicitors adopted its own program for consideration of the Legislature. This program retains only two of the governor's suggestions, presents several new ones and expresses opposition to two proposals of the chief executive, deductible policies and the demerit rating. It also asks that the 1931 rates be promulgated for 1932 as suggested by Frank A. Goodwin.

Mr. Goodwin filed five bills embodying his ideas, which are similar to those outlined in the program of Mayor Curley's committee.

Governor Ely would not comment publicly on these developments Tuesday night. Those close to the administration indicated his feeling was the opposing programs could not accomplish results. The governor was represented as entirely confident that when the Legislature acted it would be to adopt his program "because it is the only solution that offers permament results."

The Curley committee voted to oppose writing of deductible policies under the compulsory insurance law "because no form of deductible policy seems expedient or practical."

With reference to the demerit system the vote was: "That no practical demerit plan can be devised under the existing conditions which would promote a reduction in rates."

The committee did not discuss the merits of a monopolistic or competitive state fund "because neither plan meets the present emergency."

The Curley committee program is likely to prove an obstacle to the governor's program. Its representatives will appear before the legislative committee.

BEVERLY TIMES 9/30/31

Curley Group Will Oppose Ely Group

Gov. Ely's legislative proposals to amend the compulsory automobile liability insurance act by adopting a demerit plan and a system of deductible policies encountered opposition yesterday from Mayor Curley's committee of city socilictors and town counsel.

In announcing the program it will recommend to the special session of the Legislature the committee dismissed those two of the Governor's five suggested remedies as being inexpedient and impractical in producing a reduction in premium rates. Frank A. Goodwin likewise frowned on the pair of Ely recommendations.

QUINCY NEWS 9/29/31

McGrath Backs Curley On Tax Appeal Issue

Mayor McGrath strongly approves of Mayor Curley's determination to file a bill with the incoming legislature to do away with the tax appeal board recently created by law. While Quincy has had no direct association with the appeal board so far, the mayor has always found that a state board of this type was nothing more than a direct invitation to the great army of professional tax-dodgers to seek their aid rather than take the matter to the court.

The city has had some experience with this class of citizen, which is numerous in all communities and never wants to bear its just proportion of the public tax. Now that the matter can be carried to the state it is reported that the docket of the board is overwhelmed with applications for abatements.

It is questionable, however, if the Boston mayor's proposal to leave the settlement of the problems to a jury is the proper method because of an impression that juries are seldom judicially-minded when it comes to differences between a city and a petitioner.

In order to fully safeguard the municipalities the better method would be to leave such complex questions which involve highly expert knowledge of values and an exact knowledge of law to either masters or the judges of the superior court, thus eliminating the personal and political factors which must enter into determination by other bodies.

Boston's experience has, according to reports, not been satisfactory and consequently the move to do away with the present board and set up a substitute has gained considerable force. The legislature may hesitate, however, to undo work so recently accomplished, but the fact remains that the solution of the vexed problem of dealing with dissatisfied taxpayers has evidently not been met by the board of tax appeal.

NANTUCKET ENQUIRER 9/27/31

Honest John will today (Saturday) observe his seventy-second birthday anniversary and he will probably celebrate by coming down to "Tammany" swinging the silver-capped blackthorn cane which Mayor Curley brought over from Ireland and presented to him with the compliments of the city of Boston.

SALEM NEWS 10/2/31

Harvard declines to be hustled into any charity games by Mayor Curley. Harvard does not say so in so many words but its friends say that the university's attitude is that it is at all times willing to do its share in the promotion of public interests but it prefers to act in such a way as to avoid commercial or political exploitation.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/1/31

MAYOR WOULD TRADE LOANS FOR ARMS BAN

Boston, Oct. 1—Mayor Curley was cheered by 700 members of the Boston Life Underwriters' association at the Boston City club yesterday when he said that business depression would be ended and world confidence and universal peace restored by the simple expedient of the United States cancelling World war debts upon the agreement of foreign powers to disarm on a basis acceptable to the United States.

The mayor said that life insurance men of the country could constitute a powerful force to crystalize public opinion along these lines. Mayor Curley spoke for almost an hour. President Harry H. Kay of the association presided at the gathering, which was the September luncheon.

WORCESTER POST 10/1/31

Curley Would Play Ely for Nomination

BOSTON, Oct. 1.—Mayor Curley would meet Gov. Ely in a golf match, the stake to be the Democratic nomination for the governorship of Massachusetts. The mayor furthermore feels that he could give the Governor a stroke a hole and win the nomination and that he could give the Republican nominee two strokes a hole and win.

The mayor made his challenge at a dinner to Francis Ouimet, national amateur golf champion, at the Copley-Plaza. Gov. Ely was the first speaker and he referred to himself and Curley as being in the same class as golfers. After his talk, he left.

Then the mayor was called upon.

"I am sorry the Governor has left," he said. "I do not wish to take advantage of him, but I would like to meet him in a golf match for the nomination for governor. I feel I could give him a stroke a hole and win. And I feel that I could give the Republican nominee two strokes a hole —and win."

CONCORD MONITOR 10/1/31

WILL NOT GIVE SHARE OF GRID FUNDS TO IDLE

Harvard President Says Money On Dartmouth Game Needed

ALSO REFUSES TO SHIFT ARMY CLASH

Request Made By Mayor Curley Also Denied To Avoid Precedent

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WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/1/31

DECLINES TO GIVE PART OF RECEIPTS

Pres. Lowell of Harvard, According to Mayor Curley, Will Make No Changes in Athletic Schedule or Financial Plans.

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LEOMINSTER ENTERPRISE 10/1/31

MAYOR CURLEY AND GOV. ELY MOVE TO STOP LONGSHOREMAN'S STRIKE

BOSTON, Oct. 1 (AP)—In an effort to avert a threatened strike of dock workers which it was feared might tie up the port of Boston, Mayor James M. Curley and Gov. Joseph B. Ely today called leaders of the Longshoremen's union and steamship representatives into conference. A meeting of union and steamship representatives was already in progress to consider the longshoremen's demands, when word was received that Mayor Curley wished to take part in the conference. The conferees then adjourned to City Hall, but the meeting had been scarcely resumed when Gov. Ely advised that he would be willing to act as an intermediary. Representatives of the opposing factions and the mayor thereupon adjourned to the governor's office at the State House.

BROCKTON TIMES 10/1/31

HARVARD REFUSES REQUEST BY CURLEY

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10/1/31
LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN

FORMER MAYOR QUINN OF CAMBRIDGE DEAD

National Democratic Committeeman Dies from Heart Trouble at Age of 55.

CAMBRIDGE, Sept. 30 (AP)—Former-Mayor Edward W. Quinn of Cambridge, member of the National Democratic committee since 1920, died from heart trouble today at his Cambridge home at the age of 55.

Elected chairman of the Democratic city committee at the age of 29, he was prominent in the political life of his native city for a quarter of a century and served a dozen years as its chief executive.

A shrewd observer of conditions, he had stood high for many years in the councils of the Democratic party. Elected national Democratic committeeman at the San Francisco convention 11 years ago, he had since participated regularly in party conferences and conventions.

An unusual sidelight of his career was his personal presentation of diplomas to 35,000 graduates of the city's grammar and high schools during his 12 consecutive years as mayor.

During all his years in public office he remained a rent-payer. For the several years prior to his death he had occupied a second-floor apartment on the Fresh Pond Parkway.

Public officials, including Governor Joseph B. Ely of Massachusetts and Mayor James M. Curley of Boston today expressed their regret at his passing and paid tribute to his memory.

10/2/31
THE CHARLESTON GAZETTE

Williams Defeated In Tennis Tourney

Charleston Player Is Bested by Weber; Cohn Winner

ELKINS, Oct. 1.—(AP)—Miss Kathryn Montgomery of Wheeling, who will rule over the second annual mountain state forest festival here, arrived in the city this afternoon, escorted by a municipal guard. She will be crowned as Queen Sylvania II tomorrow by United States Senator M. M. Neely of Fairmont. Several princesses of her court also were in Elkins tonight as the festival, in conjunction with which is being held the 23rd annual West Virginia Elks reunion, swung into full activity.

Decorated and brilliantly lighted, the streets of Elkins tonight were the scene of the annual Mardi Gras, the spirit of which was heightened by a "pep" meeting of 500 high school students in anticipation of a scholastic game tomorrow, and by an impromptu parade of delegates to the Elks' reunion.

An old-time riding tournament and a historical musical pageant will be among tomorrow's features of the three-day celebration. On Saturday, there will be the grand parade, a football game between Davis and Elkins and Dakota Wesleyan university, a boxing show, the queen's ball, an air tournament, and the finals in golf and tennis matches.

In the mountain states tennis tournament, which opened today, Jasper Richardson, Philadelphia, former North Carolina titleholder, defeated Bill Weber, Clarksburg, in the only second-round match. First round matches re-lightweight champion 1916-25, was one of the greatest exponents of the combination of rhythmic footwork and hard, accurate, straight hitting.

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In contrast to the old boxing affairs which were slow, dull affairs, each fighter trying to outlast the other, is the modern style of fighting, the aim of a fighter is to knock out his man as soon as possible, to work hard through all rounds for a possibility of outpointing him at least.

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The boys who set up the hue and cry that modern boxing is too gentle, too mild, indulged in by mollycoddles and bok-worms should have had to sit through some of the old time sluggish, uninteresting fights.

MALDEN NEWS 10/1/31

Curley and Ely Work To Avert Strike

BOSTON, Oct 1—Mayor Curley was in conference with the Longshoremen at noontime and later the Longshoremen were in conference with Gov Ely, in efforts to avert a strike along the waterfront scheduled for today.

NORTHAMPTON GAZETTE 10/1/31

AVERT STRIKE OF HUB DOCK MEN

Longshoremen's Local and Shippers Agree to Await Coming of Union Head from N. Y.

HAD TALKED WITH ELY

BOSTON, Oct. 1—(AP)—The danger of a strike of longshoremen along Boston's waterfront was averted today by an agreement between the shippers and local members of the longshoremen's union to retain the present wage scale until the arrival of the president of the union from New York.

The agreement was reached a short time after representatives of the workers and steamship companies had conferred with Gov. Joseph B. Ely at the state house and with Mayor James M. Curley at city hall. The governor offered to act as intermediary, and after conferring with the mayor the workers went to the governor's office.

After the meeting the workers communicated with Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's association, in New York and he said he would come here as soon as possible.

The agreement means the workers will stay at work at 85 cents an hour with $1.25 for overtime and will retain their double pay privilege for working during meal hours. This arrangement will remain in effect only until Ryan has had an opportunity to begin negotiations with the shippers.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 10/1/31

Harvard President Refuses Requests

Will Not Aid Charity from Grid Receipts, Fearing Precedent.

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WORCESTER TELEGRAM 10/1/31

REHASH OLD PLANS AT SURETY HEARING

Sawyer Urges State Board—Demerit Idea Pushed—Goodwin and Curley Backers Absent—No New Ideas

By JAMES H. GUILFOYLE

BOSTON, Sept. 30.—The first of the hearings on compulsory motor vehicle insurance today were barren of new ideas but brought a rehash of many plans suggested during the past five years, with emphasis on a flat rate with a demerit rating system.

Less than 150 were present. The proposals of the Mayor Curley committee of city and town solicitors and of Frank A. Goodwin were not heard and the governor had no representative present to press his program.

The hearings were conducted before the committees on judiciary and insurance to whom the subject has been referred by the special session of the Legislature.

"Cases Drag"

M. E. Nash of Framingham pressed his plan for an automobile accident board similar to the industrial accident board. He said cases drag through the courts for more than two years and when finally settled the award is eaten up in attorneys fees and court costs.

Rep. Roland D. Sawyer of Ware favored a state board to handle injury cases and he took issue with Governor Ely on the guest provision. He maintained that taking away from the guest of a car owner the right to sue was class legislation.

The Ware minister-legislator was also at odds with the governor on the deductible idea.

"The suggestions," he said, "undoubtedly would bring down rates but would take away protection."

More Power Sought

Rep. John W. MacLeod of Chelsea spoke for his bill for a demerit system and abolition of zones. He opposed the deductible clause.

Hearings will be resumed at 10 a. m. tomorrow.

Rep. John P. Connolly of Roxbury, a member of the insurance committee, said he would file an order to give the committee power to summon witnesses and books and take testimony under oath.

Former Rep. Thomas N. Ashton of Fall River explained his bill for the issuance of a policy calling for an increased rate following first and subsequent accidents.

"My bill," he said, "provides for a different policy for each accident until the driver is removed from the road."

Chester I. Campbell, a member of the governor's council, charged the insurance companies with responsibility because they do not properly investigate claims.

Brodbine Plan

Senator Conde Brodbine of Revere urged a flat rate throughout the state coupled with a demerit system.

The senator also believed the acquisition charges of the companies were unfair as they are on a percentage basis and the agents get more as the rates rise.

Senator William F. Shanahan of Swampscott also advocated the flat rate and a system to penalize reckless drivers.

The most extensive argument came from Hyman Kaplan, secretary of the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce, hard hit by the proposed rates. He favored the flat rate. The zone system, he held, is unreliable. He said that in Chelsea, although accidents have been reduced, the rates have increased.

"A Licking"

"We take a 37 per cent licking for doing good," he continued. "We are penalized because we tell the operators to play safe."

Secretary Kaplan stressed these points:

Six hundred thirteen operators in Chelsea made the rate affecting more than 6000; there has been a decrease in the number of cars garaged in the city which has undermined the entire commercial morale; the increased rates for Chelsea are unfair and unjust; claims are being reduced in the city.

Mr. Kaplan said the flat rate was fair. He thought the demerit system could be worked out. He also suggested that co-insurance would keep down claims. By this system the insured would carry 30 per cent of the burden.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 9/30/31

HEALTH PROTECTION PARLEYS SCHEDULED

By Gazette State House Reporter

BOSTON, Sept. 30.—Parents, teachers, physicians, state, county, town and village officials of Massachusetts are invited to attend either or both of two institutes, under the auspices of the Massachusetts committee for the White House conference on child health and protection.

The first institute will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 6 and 7, at Hotel Somerset in Boston, for the convenience of those in the eastern sections of the state; the second institute, with the same program and many of the same speakers, will be held at the Municipal building and at Hotel Kimball, in Springfield, for those who live in the western section. At both institutes the sessions will open at 10. a. m. and at 2.30 p. m. Institute luncheons will be held at the Somerset in Boston at 12.30 each day and at Hotel Kimball in Springfield at 1 o'clock.

Governor Ely will speak at the institute dinners at 7 p. m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6, in Boston, and on Friday, Oct. 9, in Springfield. Mayor Curley in Boston and Mayor Winter in Springfield will speak at the institute dinners in their respective cities.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 9/30/31

CITY COUNSEL OPPOSE REPEAL

Committee Favors State Rating and Accident Investigation Bureau

Goodwin Files Five Bills, Indicates Opposition to Ely's Program

Boston, Sept. 30—Two important developments marked the eve of the opening of hearings today on proposed changes in the compulsory automobile liability insurance law.

The committee of city solicitors and town counsel appointed at the meeting called by Mayor James M. Curley some days ago announced its opposition to repeal of the present act, voted to oppose deductible policies and the demerit plan—advocated by Governor Joseph B. Ely in his message to the Legislature Monday—and outlined its own program, including a state rating and accident bureau with full power to investigate all accidents and claims.

Goodwin Files Bills.

Frank A. Goodwin, chairman of the Boston Finance commission and former registrar of motor vehicles, long an advocate of the state insurance fund plan, abandoned that plan temporarily, filed five bills—one of them calling for a state rating and accident bureau—and indicated his opposition to Governor Ely's program.

The committee program and Mr. Goodwin's, alike in many respects, will be heard by the legislative committees on insurance and judiciary during the course of what promises to be a lengthy hearing on proposed changes in the law. The governor's program also will be put before the committees.

The hearing opened this morning at 10 in Gardner auditorium at the state house.

Six Points Listed.

The program of the committee of city solicitors and town counsel was made public in a statement issued after a meeting here. It enumerated the following points: Opposition to repeal of the present law; limitation on time for insurance claims; a state rating and accident bureau; provision for investigation of all accidents involving personal injury by state inspectors; elimination of liability for guests; promulgation for 1932 of the 1931 or lower rates.

John P. Sylvia Jr. of Falmouth is a member of the committee of municipal counsel.

Chairman Goodwin's measures, which were filed on his petition by Representative Augustine Airola of Revere, one of the cities hardest hit in the announced tentative rates for 1932, called for a state rating and accident bureau; a 20 day notice of intent to file claims; exclusion of guests from benefits of the law; investigation of accidents, and the imposition of severe penalties for collusion or fraud.

9/3/31

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN

MOTOR INSURANCE RATES.

The insurance commissioner, having announced a tentative new schedule of insurance rates which is a good deal higher than the old one, becomes a target for every vote-mongering politician. Mayor Curley, who hopes to become governor, is particularly wroth and wants the commissioner's scalp forthwith, as if it were really the commissioner's fault. The trouble seems to us not to be with the commissioner at all, but with a peculiarly ridiculous law. The Boston mayor is much nearer the right line when he says that the present preposterous system should be done away in favor of one which will make the careless drivers pay the higher premiums and the careful drivers lower ones. Why take it out on Commissioner Brown, who is merely doing his duty under the law which our General Court has thus far refused to change? He didn't make the law, but he has to act under it.

No other state has seen fit to copy our statute, and no wonder. It commends itself to no one, and the wonder is it was ever passed in the first place. The idea of compelling every motor owner to insure his car, so as to make it certain that redress can be had by victims of careless driving, is sound enough. It is right and just to compel those who operate these dangerous agencies over public roads to insure against damage to others. The trouble lies in the way it is done, splitting the state into zones with varying rates, and prescribing different rates for different grades of car, as if a man whose leg was broken by a Ford would be less injured than one whose limbs were fractured by a Rolls-Royce. It would be fairer all around to make the drivers with a record for accidents due to their own fault pay more for their insurance, because they are worse risks, and not take it out on the careful operators who happen to live in a high-frequency zone, but who never themselves invite trouble by their recklessness.

If the next session of the legislature does nothing else, it would be well for it at least to substitute some sensible insurance system for this universally execrated one. If the present law is kept, higher rates can hardly be avoided, though politicians bellow as never before. As things stand, the premiums do not make whole the insurers and they ought at least to do that. We can see no reason for the state's undertaking an insurance business for itself; but there is abundant reason for apportioning the premiums on a "demerit" basis.

PITTSFIELD EAGLE 9/3/31

Curley, Goodwin Against Increase

PROTEST NEW RATES

Nobody will be surprised to read that Mayor Curley of Boston and Frank A. Goodwin, former motor vehicle registrar, are disgusted with the automobile liability insurance rates posted by State Insurance Commissioner Brown and these two publicists are getting front page positions in most of the newspapers. But, after all, why should these persons get any more space for their opinions than John Smith? Neither is a superman, neither is any more entitled to set himself up as a public benefactor than is the aforementioned John Smith. A similar rate schedule posted by either of the gentlemen as being just right would be hammered just as much as the one filed by Commissioner Brown. All of which goes for Ex-Governor Fuller et al. Fuller says if we eliminated the frauds the advances would be needless though this does not seem to explain it all. It would be passing strange if there were not some inequalities in Commissioner Brown's rate sheet, but his principle of charging higher rates in localities where there are the most accidents is in accord with the policy of fire insurance companies in graduating their rates according to the number of fires in certain localities.

A building equipped with sprinklers gets a lower fire insurance rate than one that is not, so Commissioner Brown says that liability insurance rates ought to be more in regions where there are the most accidents.

But to sum up the entire matter, owing to the fact that so many unusual situations arise in the field of compulsory automobile liability insurance, it is not easy to frame a perfect insurance rate.

GLOUCESTER TIMES 9/3/31

MAYOR CURLEY OF Boston, facing the possibilities of a municipal financial strain, has issued an order to department heads that city employes who do not pay their taxes should be subject to removal. That's a good idea. A man who extracts money from the public treasury and is so mean that he will not pay his taxes ought to be removed from the soft snap he is enjoying. Other people less favorably situated have to pay. Why should not he? He should be among the first at the office of the city treasurer with his money. Another commendable move made by Mayor Curley is to cut down the amount of automobile travel indulged in by city officials. He is considering forcing some of them to turn in their cars and chauffeurs maintained at public expense and force them to driving their own cars. It is estimated that $100,000 could be saved by this course. And $100,000 is worth saving even for the city of

NEWBURYPORT NEWS 9/3/31

THE ROOSEVELT BOOM LAUNCEHD

Mayor Curley formally launched the Roosevelt boom at Lexington last Saturday. His political judgment seems excellent, for Franklin D. Roosevelt certainly is the best candidate whom the Democrats can bring forward. If not exactly electric and inspiring, he is certainly safe, sane and sober. Under the circumstances he has a chance for election and that, we feel, is more than can be said of any other Democratic candidate. Mayor Curley did well to rebuke the Democratic factions which are standing out for other candidates. He naturally praised very highly Governor Roosevelt's scheme for raising $20,000,000 to relive unemployment which may be the best scheme for New York. Nevertheless in New York as in Massachusetts, the real burden must fall on the cities and towns themselves.

Mr. Curley, however, could not lose the opportunity to indulge in some wild spread eagle talk of a typically political attack on President Hoover which will not at all disturb that earnest man laboring with real problems in the White House. It is perhaps unkind to examine minutely a political speech of this nature. We are expected to listen p atiently to this kind of address and make no audible objections to mistatements of fact or wrong logic.

Some, however, smile when Mayor Curley puts it on so thick as to speak of the "new enemy in Washington." He can mean no other than the president and his administration. The aggressive mayor calls the arrangemen of the moratorium a "blundering act." The country and the world hardly agree with him. He deplores any economy in Washington at this time and thus places himself on record as opposed to balancing the budget, a transaction which will be found in the end as important in the United States as in England. Mr. Curley wants an extra session of Congress, an event which is regarded with dismay by most conservative people, and says the depression could have been ended at any time in the last 12 months if we were not lacking in national leadership. With such bizarre opinions Mr. Curley regaled us at Lexington.

ATTLEBORO SUN 9/5/31

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GOVERNOR ELY AND A SECOND TERM

Already in political circles there is speculation as to whether Governor Ely will seek re-election. Lieutenant Governor Youngman and his friends are most anxious to find just what the governor's intentions are, relative to seeking a second term.

Perhaps this desire to find out whether Governor Ely will be a candidate for re-election is intensified by the current rumor that Mayor Curley of Boston will be a candidate for the office of chief executive next year. Among Boston politicians, it is regarded as almost a certainty that Mayor Curley will be a candidate for the higher office. This would hardly be fair to Governor Ely or to the democratic party. The governor won a victory over a republican opponent and brought his party into power. That being so, he should have a second term without opposition in his own party, provided he makes an able and efficient executive whose administration is creditable to himself and his party.

Governor Ely's administration since he entered the office, has been entirely creditable. Indeed it has marked him as an executive of eminent ability, fairness and sound judgment in dealing with the very onerous questions that called for executive action in one of the most trying periods in the history of the commonwealth.

In case Mayor Curley attempts to secure the nomination against the governor next year, he will naturally be expected to show some reason why he should be preferred to the governor. In that case, he would have to pick flaws in the governor's record in office. Such a course would lead to a conflict within the party which would probably leave soreness among the adherents of both candidates that would not be healed on election day.

Thus the party strength would be weakened and the chance of electing the nominee proportionally lessened. That would serve the interests of the republican party in materially aiding Mr. Youngman or whomsoever the republicans nominate. We do not believe Mayor Curley would improve his political fortunes by adopting a course calculated to split the party in the state and destroy the assurance of victory offered by a united party in support of Governor Ely. Mayor Curley is a good mayor and an able man, but his political strength and popularity will be increased by waiting two years longer, before entering the gubernatorial fight. He can well afford to avoid a course that might jeopardize the solidarity of the party which is an essential political asset for any democratic aspirant for the office of governor in this state.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/2/31

Boston Mayor Against Salary Increases

With drastic economy in the 1932 municipal budget the sole means of averting an oppressive tax rate next year, Mayor Curley of Boston, yesterday announced that unless economic conditions show a marked improvement, no salary increases would be granted to city and county employes next year, other than to police patrolmen and privates in the fire department. In calling on department heads to submit estimates of budget requirements, pared to the lowest possible figures, the mayor laid unusual stress on his determination to reduce city and county expenses in every possible way. Department heads, whose budget estimates will be under $100,000 must submit their schedules of requirements in detail prior to Oct. 1. Budgets of more than $100,000 must be submitted before Oct. 15 and those in excess of $1,000,000 prior to Nov. 2.

LIONS GATHER AT PECKHAM SUMMER HOME

Saugus Club Enjoys Beautiful Nahant Scenery and Installs Officers.

Members of the Saugus Lion's club and their wives were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. B. Peckham, at their summer home, Little Nahant road Wednesday evening. The affair also markde the first meeting of the club under its new president, Lincoln D. Robbins, and was in the nature of a house warming, as Mr. Peckham has recently purchased the Old Howe estate for a summer home.

It also marked the retirement of Mr. Peckham as president of the Lion's club.

Dinner was served in the large reception hall by a caterer, and at its conclusion, President Peckham, in a few appropriate words of welcome, turned the rest of the meeting over to the new president, Lincoln D. Robbins.

Greater Boston.

Following a short business meeting, the guest speaker of the evening was introduced in the person of Professor Thomas A. Mullins, who spoke on "What Benefits Would Accrue to Saugus by Being Included in the Proposed Greater Boston." Professor Mullins is connected with the Commercial, Industrial and Publicity Bureau of Boston. Mayor James M. Curley had been invited to speak, but previous engagements made it impossible for him to be present.

The speaker gave an interesting talk on the various benefits that the 43 cities and towns would receive if the proposed plan was adopted and stated among other things, that it would give Greater Boston a population of over 2,000,000. Under the proposed plan, such things as sewerage, traffic, parks and water supply would be centralized and would be taken care of by the representatives of the 2,000,000, included in the plan. The identity of the 43 municipalities would not be lost.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Mrs. Peckham, was called to the head of the table and presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses. The rest of the evening was spent in inspecting the new home and enjoying the wonderful view from the tower.

9/8/31

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN

Mayor Curley lambastes the insurance commissioner for those motor insurance rates—but somehow it reminds us that if the man had bitten the dog that would be news.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 9/5/31

AUTO INSURANCE INVESTIGATION IS ASKED IN RESOLVE

Two Chelsea Legislators File it With the Clerk of the State House

LYNN MAYOR SEES LITTLE HOPE OF ACTION

Asserts "Political Boss" Tied Up With Insurance Interests in Control—Protest Meeting Wednesday

Boston, Sept. 4 -- (AP) — A charge that a "political boss" at Boston was "tied up with insurance interests," and a demand for a legislative investigation of all insurance companies writing automobile insurance in Massachusetts, were the outstanding developments today in the attack upon proposed increases in automobile insurance rates.

Declaring he saw little hope for revision of automobile insurance rates, Mayor Fred Manning of Lynn charged that members of the Legislature were "forced to heed their master's voice" and that "the voice was that of a political boss at Boston who was allied with the insurance companies."

File Resolve

Definite action was taken by two of Revere's representatives in the Legislature, Senator Conde Brodbine and Representative Thomas F. Carroll, who filed with the Senate clerk a resolve asking creation of a special legislative commission to investigate all companies writing automobile insurance in the state.

The commission, which would be given an appropriation of $5000, would be authorized to recommend any revisions of the present automobile insurance law it saw fit, and would consist of three senators, four representatives and four persons to be appointed by the governor.

Meanwhile, the proposed rate increases were denounced from many other quarters in the metropolitan area. Former Gov Alvan T. Fuller renewed his attack upon the high rates with the statement that "action, not political ballyhoo" was needed to clear up the situation, and the expressed opinion that the insurance companies should band together to prosecute faked nuisance claims.

In order to avoid conflict with the protest meeting of mayors and selectmen called by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, which is to be held at the Boston city hall next Wednesday morning, Mayor John J. Murphy today changed the time of the meeting of the Federation of Municipalities to Tuesday afternoon.

Hyman Kaplan, secretary of the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce, in a radio address today, charged that the people of Chelsea had "absolute proof" they were "maliciously and coldbloodedly being robbed by a confiscatory tax to pay for losses sustained by insurance companies in poor

the entire subject of automobile insurance by a special legislative commission, is sought in a resolve filed today with the clerk of the state Senate by Senator Conde Brodbine and Representative Thomas F. Carroll of Revere.

The commissioner would consist of three senators and four representatives, and four persons to be appointed by the governor. It would have $5000 for expenses and be required to file its report not later than August 20, 1932. It would be authorized to investigate the operation of the compulsory law with a view to recommending "such changes in such laws and such additions and subtractions thereto as may be deemed advisable. It would have power to summon all books, records and persons of all insurance companies writing such insurance within Massachusetts, including such records as may be available from the rating board of the companies, with a view to learning where the public's money for automobile insurance is invested and expended, including salaries, commission, acquisition and other expenses that the books or accounts would show.

The commission would also be authorized to investigate and report where any money so returned from automobile insurance is invested, whether such investments are proper, and whether the return of such investments is turned back to reduce the automobile insurance costs. It would have power to summons witnesses and place them under oath for interrogation.

LOWELL SUN 9/5/31

BOOSTING ROOSEVELT'S CANDIDACY

Mayor Curley of Boston in a speech made at the luncheon given at an outing in Lexington, last Saturday, made a vigorous plea in advocacy of the nominaton of Gov. Roosevelt for the democratic convention, in 1932. Mayor Curley is not the first prominent Massachusetts official to favor the nomination of Gov. Roosevelt, although certain changes that may occur before 1932 may make Roosevelt's nomination inexpedient. There are many candidates seeking the democratic nomination for the presidency, and in view of recent developments in New York, it may turn out that the democratic nominee cannot rely upon the vote of New York state. In that case it would be unwise to nominate a New York candidate. It should be noted that the Lexington gathering was in no way representative of the democracy of Massachusetts.

MALDEN NEWS 9/5/31

That Mayor Curley has appointed Bartholomew F Griffin on the executive committee for the George Washington Bicentenial.

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B.C. CONSIDERS CITY FOR GAME

Hub School Athletic Council to Meet Tomorrow or Monday

CHANGE DIFFICULT

Plans Already Made For 1931 Grid Classic, Says Graduate Manager

A meeting of the Boston college athletic council will be held, probably tomorrow or Monday, to consider the suggestion of the Worcester Chamber of Commerce that the annual Holy Cross-Boston College football game be played this year in Worcester instead of Boston, according to John P. Curley, graduate manager of athletics at Boston college.

The matter was brought to his attention yesterday afternoon by Rev. Timothy J. Phelan, S. J., faculty advisor of athletics at Holy Cross, and Cleo O'Donnell, graduate manager of athletics at the Worcester college. Mr. Curley said that he fully appreciated the support offered by the Chamber of Commerce and said the matter will be given immediate study.

The return of Rev. Charles M. Roddy, S. J., faculty moderator of athletics at Boston college, is also awaited before any definite steps can be taken, Mr. Curley said. Rev. Fr. Roddy is expected to be at University Heights on Monday.

O'Hara Lends Support

Mayor O'Hara added his support in the effort to bring the game here in a statement yesterday, in which he said that "there is no real reason why the game between Holy Cross and Boston College should be played in Boston every season, and in view of existing circumstances, Worcester should be given the preference this year above any other."

Cleo O'Donnell also expressed himself as favorable to the movement yesterday. Discussing the steps taken by the Chamber, he said that "everyone at the college favors the Fitton field site for the game. We have made every effort to bring it here and I have been in favor of the idea from the start. My plan would be to have the game on Thanksgiving Day in Worcester."

The game is scheduled for Nov. 28, conflicting with the Dartmouth-Stanford game on the same day at Boston. Efforts to secure the game for Worcester were made last spring when Mayor Curley of Boston placed a ban on the Dartmouth-Stanford game at Boston because of the Holy Cross-Boston College tilt.

In commenting on the new move, Mr. Curley said that it is a difficult matter to change a schedule once it has been definitely arranged. The assignment of officials, printing of tickets, contracting for the park and many other details must be attended to in case of a shift in location of the game, he said. "Arrangements have already been made to hold the game in Boston and the agreement reached with the Boston American league baseball club for the use the grounds."

FRAMINGHAM NEWS 9/5/31

Making Intensive Study of O'Bryan Insurance System

Author Confers With Corporation Counsel Silverman of Boston, Representing Mayor Curley

Francis L. O'Bryan, creator of the Arthur L. O'Bryan System of Compulsory Automobile Insurance, which places the responsibility for an accident on the operator instead of the automobile, was in conference yesterday afternoon in Boston, at City hall, with Corporation Counsel Silverman who is making an intensive study of automobile insurance for Mayor James M. Curley in preparation for a meeting next Wednesday of the Mayors of cities and Selectmen of all the towns in the Commonwealth.

Mr. Silverman showed keen interest in the O'Bryan system and discussed this method of automobile insurance in minute detail with Mr. O'Bryan. Other city and state officials have become more interested in the O'Bryan system since the latest increase of rates, effective in 1932, was announced a few days ago by Insurance Commissioner Murton L. Brown.

Corporation Counsel Silverman will report the results of his conference with the Framingham man to Mayor Curley. Because of the renewed interest shown in the Arthur L. O'Bryan system, printed copies have been left at The News office, to be distributed to those interested.

The O'Bryan plan, which was copyrighted by its author last year, proposes that the State Law be changed to prescribe personal insurance for all drivers of motor vehicles, with the rate adjusted according to the accident record of the individual drivers. Under the system he sponsors, O'Bryan believes, many of the unfair features of the present method of automobile insurance would be eliminated, and, even more important, the added sense of personal responsibility induced by the flexible rate would bring about a decline in the number of accidents.

The system suggested to city officials yesterday provides that when an insured operator causes personal injury, he shall immediately send notice to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, or the State Commissioner on Automobiles. Also he shall notify his insurance company of the accident.. When the insurance company has settled the claim, the company shall send a report of the claim to the registrar or commissioner.

Upon receiving a notice from the insurance company, the registrar or commissioner shall issue a notice to the operator stating that within a limited period his license will be revoked unless within the required period of time he takes out another insurance policy at a higher rate, together with an application for new operator's license.

An operator will be allowed only a limited number of accidents. Each accident will result in a higher rate, for the driver responsible, until the maximum number is reached; then his license will be revoked.

A similar plan was put in effect with considerable success in various General Electric companies when O'Bryan was serving as an expert for that corporation in 1917-19. It was found that a much fairer rate for the worker's accident insurance was possible, and a steadily decreasing record for accidents followed when the rate was graduated according to the individual worker.

Mr. O'Bryan, who is at present Framingham district manager of the Edison Electric and Illminating Company, has been associated with various power companies as an electrical engineer, and was formerly president of the Framingham Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

HAVERHILL GAZETTE 9/5/31

BOSTON PLANS TO TAKE PART IN CELEBRATION

Historic Buildings Will Be Filled During Washington Bicentennial

BOSTON—The City of Boston is preparing to play a significant part in the nation-wide program for the George Washington bicentennial celebration in 1932.

Mayor James M. Curley has authorized an official committee and the executive committee has been named and is now functioning with Thomas A. Mullen as chairman. The secretary of the committee, E. B. Mero, and several of its members were actively associated in the organization and conduct of the Massachusetts Bay Tercentenary of 1930.

Mayor Curley has indicated that the comprehensive system for the observance of public holidays which has been built up in Boston the past dozen years will be utilized and many of the major events of the George Washington bicentennial in Boston will take place on these annually commemorated anniversaries, together with a limited number of specially arranged added events on other dates.

The plans will be carried out in conjunction with the city bureau of public celebrations, of which Edmund L. Dolan is director and Stanton R. White assistant director; and by the aid of the permanently organized Citizens' Public Celebrations association.

An advance statement of Boston plans and proposals for the George Washington bicentennial in 1932 has been prepared and copies are now available for the information of committees in other cities. The Boston committee is now proceeding to work out the details of the tentative proposals.

Gatherings of people will take place in buildings and on sites where such public meetings have occurred for many years, as for example, Faneuil Hall, the Old South Meeting House and the world-famous Boston Common.

It will be the purpose of the Boston program for 1932 to make use of and call attention to the modern city, the metropolitan center of today and its steadily developing aspirations as well as its recognition of the advantages of a noble past.

A spectacular event of much general interest is expected in the reproduction of one of the visits of Washington to Boston, to be arranged in cooperation with several other cities and towns through which Washington's cavalcade passed on the way from New York through Connecticut to Springfield and Worcester and on to Boston, thence through New Hampshire to Maine. The date for this striking and interesting historical procession-pageant has not been fixed. There are three good opportunities, in October when he made a good-will tour of New England as President in 1789, in July when he came to take command of the army in Cambridge in 1775, or in February when he came as a young man of 23 years to seek adjustment of his status as a military officer in 1756.

The committee for Boston will eventually number at least 100 men and women, representatives of all the groups and interests of the municipality. At present the executive committee now functioning is composed of the following:

Chairman, Thomas A. Mullen, 15 Congress street; secretary, E. B. Mero, 9 Park street; J. C. S. Andrew, Henry F. Brennan, Frank Chouteau Brown, Julius Daniels, Ralph M. Eastman, Bartholomew F. Griffin, Miss Elisabeth M. Herlihy, H. Ainsley Highman, Hon. Frank Leveroni, Joseph A. F. O'Neil, Mrs. William Stanley Parker, Col. Carroll J. Swan, Mrs. Eva Whiting White.

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FINANCIAL ADV. MEN TO MEET

Annual Convention Will Be Held in Boston Sept. 14-17

GROUP DISCUSSIONS

Three Worcester Bankers Will Take Part in Proceedings

Financial leaders of the country will meet in Boston Sept. 14-17 for the 16th annual convention of the Financial Advertisers association. A program of addresses and discussions has been prepared around the convention theme—"The Creative Force in Finance," designed to answer many of the questions facing business men at the present time.

Four Worcester bankers will take part in the proceedings. William C. Radcliffe of the Peoples Savings bank will speak on "Group Advertising for Savings Deposits," at the savings departmental conference at 3.45 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 16. John A. Reid of the trust department of the Worcester Bank and Trust Co., is a member of the convention reception committee and Charles L. Burleigh, treasurer of the Mechanics Saving bank, will be a delegate. Clifton Bourdelais, secretary of the M. A. C. plan will attend, as will John J. Power, financial advertising representative of the Telegram-Gazette.

The convention will officially open Monday, Sept. 17, in the Statler hotel, but an informal afternoon tea and reception will be held the day before for those who arrive in Boston Sunday. Registration will be Sunday afternoon and Monday morning.

Mayor To Welcome

Mayor Curley will welcome the delegates and, after the address of the association's president, F. R. Kerman, vice president of the Transamerica Corp., the convention's theme speech will be given by Francis Sisson, vice president of the Guaranty Trust Co., New York. Addresses on advertising will follow. In the afternoon delegates will visit the plant of the Boston Herald and Traveler and will be guests of that newspaper on a boat trip to Pemberton.

Conference on various phases of finance and financial advertising will begin Tuesday morning and will continue until Wednesday evening, with group dinners Tuesday night. Golf tournament and sightseeing trips will feature Tuesday afternoon's entertainment program.

Group discussions will be held on the following general subjects: commercial departmental, trust advertising and trust development, investment departmental, new business, trust development and advertising and savings departmental.

Among the more important addresses to be given before the convention are: "Where Does Advertising Stand Today?" John Benson, president of the American Association of Advertising Agencies; "Advertising and Merchandising Activities of the Investment Trusts," W. T. Townsend, of the American Trustee Share Corp.; "How To Make Advertising and Selling Pull Together," A. E. Bryson, of the Halsey, Stuart & Co.

Public Relations Problems

In commenting upon the convention theme, "The Creative Force in Finance" Alva G. Maxwell, general chairman of the convention, said, "The creative side of banking has not been sufficiently stresed. By presenting creative force as a convention theme we feel that a tremendous amount of valuable and constructive data along these lines will be produced. It will give advertising men a new viewpoint on public relations problems."

Directors of the convention have shown their anxiety to have new ideas on financial development presented by offering prizes for the best ones submitted. Among others the Franklin Trust Co. of Philadelphia will present a trophy for the best advertising or business development idea presented at the convention.

The convention will close with a formal banquet in the Statler ballroom Wednesday at 7.30 p. m. Convention prizes will be awarded and newly-elected officers installed.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 9/5/31

CURLEY CALLS MAYORS TO FIGHT AUTO RATES

Invites Officials to Hub to Plane Battle Against Higher Premiums

Boston, Sept. 4—Galvanizing his verbal protests into action, Mayor James M. Curley today summoned the mayors of various cities and towns to a mass meeting at city hall next Wednesday to prepare a front line offense against the proposed increases in the 1932 compulsory automobile insurance rates.

At the same time, Mayor John J. Whalen of Chelsea, in which city the highest increases were proposed, went to the State House for a conference with Insurance Commissioner Merton L. Brown to ask why rates should be increased in Chelsea to such an extent.

In a letter to Gov Joseph B. Ely, Mayor Whalen charged the rates for his city exorbitant and appealed for a special session of the Legislature.

State Senator Conde Brodbine of Revere worked out a plan, for filing at the State House today, under which the zone system would be abolished, a flat rate would be applied on all types of automobiles, and owners involved in accidents would subsequently pay higher premiums.

The meeting called by Mayor Curley, it was announced, was for the purpose of "discussing the proposed insurance rates and to determine some definite program with a view to petitioning Gov Ely to call a special session of the Legislature to enact such remedial legislation as will eliminate the present unfair, unreasonable and discriminatory system of insurance rates."

No specific program will be advanced, but three suggestions will be advanced for discussion. They are: Adoption of the demerit system, as used in Connecticut, in which the rate burden is placed on reckless drivers, the adoption of a state insurance fund to lower rates through competing with private companies, as advanced by Chairman Frank A. Goodwin, of the Boston Finance commission; and the abolishing of the present zone system in favor of a uniform rate.

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HUB PORT SOCIETY IS PLANNED HERE

To Revive Interest in Making Boston "Key"

First steps in the formation of a Worcester division of the newly organized Port of Boston society have been taken. This organization, sponsored by the Boston Commercial, Industrial & Publicity Bureau, was started two months ago to revive active interest in the Port of Boston as the "key" port of New England.

The organization is described as a New England-wide movement to stimulate a general interest in port development so that all parts of the northeastern section of the country may join hands for the improvement of waterfront facilities.

Improve Inland

It is the belief of the sponsors of this movement that the development not only of the Port of Boston but other ports as well, will bring about a natural improvement in towns further inland because of the additional revenue which will find its way into this section, a large portion of which is now going to New York and ports further south.

Blundon Wills, representing Mayor James M. Curley and the Industrial Bureau of Boston, arrived in Worcester Thursday of last week and since then has been working on a local campaign for supporters in the port movement.

The Objective

He says the Port of Boston society has one definite objective in sight, namely, "a four-day sailing service to Europe from the Port of Boston and trunk line rail connections serving New England with all parts of the United States."

Publix theaters are co-operating by permitting their theaters throughout New England to be used for a series of special performances in connection with the movement. One of these shows, to which there is no admission charge, will be presented at the Capitol theater next Wednesday night at 11.15 p. m.

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BOSTON TO HONOR FIRST PRESIDENT

Washington Bicentennial Committee Working On Program

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Perfecting the Primary

New Movement for Party Conventions Is Free of Suspicion That "Boss Control" Is Sought—The Motor Insurance Law Is Up Again

By BEACON HILL



BOSTON, Sept. 5.—Four major topics mark the political news of the week on the Hill. They are: Pre-primary convention, compulsory motor car liability insurance, crimes of violence, public works contracts. What political significance lies behind or within each or all of them?

The present movement for establishment of pre-primary conventions is significant principally from the character of its new presentation. In the past the handicap of the effort to effect a change in the present primary law has lain in its sponsorship by official representatives of political state committees. The charge has been brought, against the plea for a change, that it was insincere, that it in reality was an "entering wedge" by which to do away utterly with the primary; that it was the beginning of a campaign by the "practical politicians" to get back "boss control" of nominations; that it was in fact a destructive and reactionary effort, whose professed purposes of liberalization and improvement in the interests of the people were negatived by an ulterior purpose.

The present movement is not open to any of these charges. Its sponsorship is of a character far more impressive than any which has initiated or accompanied preceding efforts to change the law.

How will the incoming session of the Legislature next January view the matter? All past efforts to change the law have failed. Will this fare better, by virtue of the less vulnerable and more imposing sponsorship? There is no way of knowing, yet it is apparent that the prospects for success are brighter than they have hitherto been—partly because of the character of the present organized movement and partly because there is an accumulating feeling of dissatisfaction with the law as it stands. There is certainly a growing group of voters who, while they continue to believe in the essential purposes of the primary nomination system, are doubtful if it is working satisfactorily. These voters are in a frame of mind receptive to amendment provided such change will not vitiate the main principles stated and applied in the present primary law.

The task of the organized movement for change is to convince these voters that under the proposed changes the virtue of the present law will be preserved, and the defects will be removed or less-

It Affects Mr. Youngman

Every important political issue—and this certainly is a major political issue, having to do with the very foundations of representative government in this state—has a personal application, when a state campaign is close at hand. The state elections are more than a year in the future; but the session of the Legislature which will be called upon to deal with this initiative petition is the last legislative session preceding that election contest. What, then, is its personal application now?

It is obvious. The principal, perhaps the only visible, candidate for the Republican nomination for governor is William Sterling Youngman. The way has been growing smoother and smoother for him. He was further advantaged by events on the Hill this week. Every important issue that has arisen has appeared to favor his nomination and to strengthen the likelihood of his election. What will be the effect of this pre-primary convention issue upon his chances? Will it result in the development of a rival candidate for the party nomination?

Mr. Youngman will oppose this plan to change the primary law. He is on record as a champion of the law as it stands. He has won strategic victories on this issue, on the Hill. It is too early to say how this will affect the coming state campaign; but it is a point to be kept in mind. With an apparent multiplicity of issues from which to choose, it may appeal to the lieutenant-governor as reasonable tactics to minimize this issue, and to make his further campaign on other matters.

The matter of motor car insurance may figure as a major issue in next year's campaign, but it is equally possible that the coming session of the Legislature will so deal with the problem as to remove it from the field. It may be that a special session will be called this year for the specific purpose of working out some conclusion from the flood of protests and suggestions which logically followed the pronouncement of the new and increased insurance rates. If at a special session or at the next regular session the Legislature is able to solve, or even approximately solve, this problem, then it may disappear from the political arena where it now occupies the principal place.

The Governor's Opportunity

Every politician, to say nothing of the rest of the people (most of whom are motorists), will listen with considerable interest to what Governor Ely says on the subject at his Tuesday broadcast. His opportunity is obviously to present a definite and constructive program for new legislation. The state has been surfeited the past week with attack and criticism. There is no further point in simply assailing the

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had a fling at that. It is no longer news. Who can point, and lead, the way out? These suggestions are on record:

A state fund; a demerit system; a merit system; a vigorous reform among lawyers, doctors and insurance agents, to eliminate crooked claims; and an investigation.

An interesting fact in connection with the prevailing agitation is that at the moment there is less assault on the essential principle of the law than on the manner of its operation. It appears to be generally accepted that the principle, requiring every operator of a car to be financially responsible for any injury to persons, is sound and to be preserved. This is a change from the attack which sought to wipe the whole law from the statute books.

The personal political application of this issue is chiefly to the present governor—because while any other political figure is free to offer suggestions, destructive or constructive, it is within the power of the governor not only to present a solution but to make it Work. Thus, the governor's radio broadcast next Tuesday will have significance in relation to his renomination and re-election—assuming that he wants them. He has this issue almost entirely in his own hands now.

The matter of crime comes specifically into state politics through the action of the Boston City Council in adopting the order of Councilman Power, this past week, which calls upon the Legislature to provide capital punishment for robbery under arms. That's drastic enough, to be sure. It will fan to lively flame the advocates of abolition of capital punishment altogether.

We have before us a variety of sharp suggestions for dealing with this very real problem of security for life and property—a security which lies at the root of all government. In primitive society where the individual makes and enforces his own law, preservation of life and property depends on his own action. With civilization and the organization of society for the common good, under which codes of laws and forms of government are developed, this individual action is minimized, and constituted authority in the common interest supplants it. The first duty and responsibility of such organized government is this security for the life and property of the individual. That is the oldest fact in the history of government. It is what gives point to the present disturbing situation, when life and property are less safe than for many years, and when the orderly forces of law appear unable to cope with the situation adequately.

Public Impatience

Here are the definite suggestions which have cropped up within the week:

Councilman Power: Capital punishment for robbery under arms.

Governor Ely: "Shoot to kill" in apprehending gangsters committing robbery.

District Attorney Warren Bishop of Middlesex: Life imprisonment for robbery under arms—regardless of the age of the offender.

Judge David F. Dillon of the Superior court: Martial law in some centers of gangster activity.

The outstanding fact in all these suggestions is the indication of an increasing impatience on the part of the public. The tendency in modern penology has been towards leniency, parole, probation, reform, moral reconstruction, the salvage of human character. Jails have been modernized, made more healthful, less oppressive to the inmates. More and more entertainment has been offered prisoners. Greater degrees of personal freedom have been theirs. Honor systems have been multiplied. The problem of crime has been approached on a basis of theory and psychology.

The state's commissioner of correction is of those who believe sincerely and intensely in the modern methods. He is a psychiatrist of distinction, an authority on the whole wide subject. Can he, or will he undertake to, combat the wave of drastic suggestion which is at the point of trying to demolish what the theorists have been so carefully building up over a generation?

Against him and his associates in thought are arrayed such practical men as the Middlesex district attorney, a judge of the Superior court; and the political mind that undertakes to read public sentiment.

Here, again, the political significance applies principally to the present governor. His "shoot-to-kill" thought does not offer a practicable cure for the situation, though it probably expresses what is in the minds of many persons.

Council Has to Explain

Whatever political advantage comes from the flurry of excitement attending the problem of state public works contracts, goes to Mr. Youngman. Regardless of any merit or otherwise in the action of the executive council in awarding contracts as they did, and whatever emotional excuse there may be for their walking out of the session last Wednesday, leaving the lieutenant-governor to read his resolution to an empty chamber, the political fact is that the whole series of incidents in the matter leaves the council under the necessity of explaining their course at each turn; and the lieutenant-governor is under no such necessity.

The oft-quoted reply of Senator Depew to the inquiring political writer who had asked him why he did not explain his position in a certain matter, comes to mind again, as it frequently does. It was this:

"To explain is to be damned."

Public men may assert, but not explain. They may attack, but not offer excuses. A thing done is done—"what's done cannot be undone." A vital truth in politics.

A disconcerting succession of consequences followed the original council action in setting aside two out-of-state contracts and preferring Massachusetts concerns. These have left Mr. Youngman in a strong position.

The matter of aliens in the public service has suffered what may be called political deflation this week. It never had any chance to become a major issue—there are too few aliens and they don't vote. Mr. Finneran wants the governor "read out of the party" unless he at once annihilates all alien employes in the public service. The governor will survive the attack. He will even bear up under the insinuation that he takes advice now and then from B. Loring Young. Such an accusation, if substantiated, would cost him few Democratic votes and would get him many Republican votes.

Of personal politics nothing important developed during the week. Of the four big matters, al-

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Prospect Against Repeal Of Compulsory Insurance

Public Will Insist on Adequate Financial Protection—Demerit Rating for Motorists Offers Best Possibility of Agreement —Gov. Ely Closely Guarding His Views —Remarks in Inaugural Suggest Leaning Toward Demerit System

By JAMES H. GUILFOYLE

BOSTON, Sept. 5.—Despite the protest over the proposed increase in 1932 rates for compulsory motor vehicle liability insurance, the danger of the law's repeal is remote. There are too many pedestrians who must be protected against death and injury.

The Massachusetts Legislature, however, undoubtedly will give heed to the constantly rising rates at next year's session, by adopting some of the many proposals for improvement. The upshot of clamor for legislative action, to curb the burden on the car owner, will probably be the establishment of a merit or demerit rating system, under which the careless driver will pay for his sins.

The timidity of the legislature to remedy apparent defects in the compulsory law, or to insist on obvious improvements, is responsible for the present difficulties. It has had opportunity to study every conceivable proposal to strengthen it, but divergent views have prevented a majority. The public is likely to demand that all hands get together.

The real drive for repeal came this year. The insurance lobbyists, aided and abetted by some of the automobile associations, put on a tremendous campaign to substitute the driver responsibility law. They thought they had succeeded, but in the public showdown the legislators counted on didn't dare remove the certain protection which the law gives to the motor car victims. The sales talk for the driver responsibility law was entirely on the experience of other states, but it failed to impress when it became known it was chance protection.

Driver May Have No Funds

Under the driver responsibility plan insurance is not compulsory. If liability accrues against a driver because of an accident he is taken off the road until he settles. If he can't settle, the victim is out of luck. Keeping the driver off the road is little satisfaction for death or injury.

The insurance companies will most certainly renew their plea for the driver responsibility law next year. The contention that it offers a solution for lower rates will be ballyhooed to the superlative degree. But no legislator will care to answer to his constituents if he votes to remove the protection of the compulsory law. The insurance companies reached the zenith in this year's fight. If they couldn't do it this year it can't be done. The makeup of the General Court will be the same next year. Beyond that will be the knowledge of next year's election. The off-year is the most appropriate time for votes that members would rather have forgotten.

Governor Ely is carefully guarding the attitude with which he will approach his discussion of the question, via radio, next Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. It seems a foregone conclusion that he will not accede to the request for an extra legislative session. The governor most likely will be found in defense of the rates. That does not mean he will throw his hat in the air and say the insurance companies are right in making the car owner pay more for protection. Rather, he will contend that while the law remains in its present form there is no alternative but to pay what statistics demond. Figures don't lie.

Governor Can Hit Back

The governor's agility for hitting back at his opponents may have further demonstration. Numerous legislators are attempting to place the burden for the high rates on his shoulders, contending that he has shown lack of initiative in handling this problem. The governor will probably place the odium right back on the doorstep of the Legislature. He is in position to point out that there were numerous proposals for remedying the law at the last session, and even before that time, but nothing was done. He can point to the fact that a special commission made exhaustive study and reported to the extent of 288 pages, with many suggestions for strengthening the law and nothing was done.

With the insurance rates looming large as a political issue in the 1932 campaign, it is probable the governor will take the bull by the horns and submit his own ideas of the problem's solution without repeal of the compulsory law.

There may be a hint in the form his proposal will take from examination of his remarks on the subject in his inaugural address.

"For several years now the public has been disturbed by the constantly increasing cost of compulsory liability insurance and the carnage on the highways,' he said. "It has been proposed again to investigate conditions concerning this subject with a view of arriving at some equitable procedure to govern the conduct of the business, having in mind not only that the public, compelled to buy, should be protected in the rates they are required to pay with fair protection to the companies, but also to devise ways and means of promoting public safety on the highways.

No Commission Inquiry Needed

"The appointment of unpaid commissions for investigation and report has become an easy means of shifting legislative responsibility and labor. In many instances it has been productive of much useful legislation, based upon most careful investigation, and therefore upon occasion may be successfully employed. The frequent use of such commissions should not be employed. The subject of compulsory automobile liability insurance has been so much discussed and investigated that it should be possible to reach a solution without resorting to a commission study.

"This present law makes it imperative for the insurance commissioner to fix the rates upon a basis that will return to the companies engaged in writing such insurance a fair and reasonable profit from the business. In view of the fact that such a rate is to be imposed, it is difficult for the commissioner to deny the companies a rate which, upon the experience of the business as shown by figures of the company, denies such profit, even though the paid losses, and the reserve set up may seem out of proportion to the previous experience of the same companies.

"It is plain to see that with profits practically guaranteed by the law, the incentive to keep down the losses is not the same as though the responsibility for profit rested solely and entirely on the administration of the business. This is a weakness of the present law, and proper legislation should be enacted for its modification.

Groundless Claims a Factor

"I am further convinced that the loss ratio is in part due to the exaggeration of claims and the pressing for settlement of groundless and worthless litigation. Because insurance is a compulsory prerequisite to the operation of automobiles upon our highways, it is the duty of the commonwealth to enact further legislation that will tend to minimize its expense.

"It is further suggested that the rate making be delegated to a commission of three, to be appointed by the governor—one to represent the companies, one the public and one the insurance commissioner—with power to examine the books, records and accounts of all companies desiring and authorized to do business in Massachusetts.

"The foregoing are specific suggestions for your consideration. It may transpire, however, that your study of this subject will indicate a wiser course by complete abandonment of the present law and the enactment of restrictive legislation of another sort, or the establishment of a state fund, which the recent advisory opinion of the Supreme court seems to prohibit, however, without a constitutional amendment.

"The automobile is an inherently dangerous instrumentality. As a vehicle for pleasure it is a wonderful thing, and as a means of rapid communication it is frequently a necessity, but it is an expensive luxury. Assuming that the law is properly revised to control the companies in the making of rates, the way to bring down the cost of insurance is to reduce accidents, claims and litigation. When we have solved the problem of the unskillful and reckless driver, we have solved also the insurance problem."

Pressure for Goodwin Idea

Next year's legislative session will witness a tremendous movement in

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favor of Frank A. Goodwin's competitive state insurance company. The proponents will be restricted to a small group, however, who come from territories where rates are so high that constituents are demanding something be done. To appease the demands, they are ready to grasp at any plan which sounds good in theory, regardless of what the practical experience may bring.

Mr. Goodwin's plan was killed dead as a door nail when the Supreme court gave an advisory opinion that prohibited his state fund. True, there have been alterations in the new proposal by which it is hoped to circumvent constitutional prohibitions, but the idea is virtually the same. The majority of the Legislature does not favor putting the state into business to compete with private capital.

The reason the demerit rating plan appears likely of favorable consideration at this distance is because most persons who have studied our compulsory law look upon it as the one way in which to still the cry: "Why should the careful driver pay for the accidents of the careless operator?" That is the essence of most complaint.

Of course it is true that many accidents are unavoidable and occur despite extreme caution. The law cannot be made perfect, but the demerit rating system appears to be a step that would go a long way toward appeasing the objectors. Under that plan even if there were more accidents the higher rates would be paid by the persons responsible, for the basic rate would probably remain stationary.

Brown Favors Demerit Rating

Insurance Commissioner Merton L. Brown looks with favor upon the demerit rating system. He recommended it this year to the Legislature.

"There is nothing else I can do but establish the rates on the statistics under the present law," he says. "Under a demerit or merit rating plan the person who caused the accidents would shoulder the burden."

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston is another who believes there should be some difference in the rate for the careless and careful operator.

Just now, of course, it is impossible to crystallize sentiment on any plan. The politicians who thrive on such situations are suggesting more solutions than Heinz has pickles. Some want the law repealed, some want a flat rate, others a state company, a demerit system, a legislative investigation, a driver responsibility law, or what have you. Adjustment of the insurance problem won't get anywhere until the divergent views are reconciled. That's what's been the matter.

Next Wednesday the mayors and selectmen will raise a lot of smoke about what should be done when they meet at the call of Mayor Curley. It is doubtful if they will be unanimous. Then on Friday there will be oodles of oratory at the hearing before Commissioner Brown. This will reveal how general is the protest, but it won't solve the problem. That will have to be met by next year's Legislature.

There are many who believe that the present protests will be forgotten by the time the General Court meets. They contend there has been a similar hue and cry each year soon after the rates were announced, only to be forgotten a month or two later. That may be true in other years, but with the increases this year and knowledge that each year has brought a rise in rates, it is evident that [illegible] must be done.

Investigators Oppose Repeal

The special commission which devoted several months of study to the problem in 1929 was against repeal of the compulsory law. It made many recommendations, but these were rejected by the Legislature. It seems now that the old report may be dug out of the archives and put to use.

The principal recommendation of the commission was the creation of rating and control board within the division of insurance to consist of the insurance commissioner and two additional members, which shall fix and establish classifications and rates, and shall supervise the whole subject of motor vehicle insurance.

Further the commission said: "We recommend that the rates to be fixed by the rating and control board shall be maximum rates and that within those maximum rates competitive rating may be allowed with its approval, by means of fleet rating, deductible policies, or blanket policies; and, further, that a system of demerit rating, under rules to be made by the board and administered by the registrar of motor vehicles, should be established along lines which have worked successfully in Connecticut. We beneve this system of demerit rating to be peculiarly important in the interest of greater safety."

The commission considered at length the subject of "fake" and exaggerated claims for personal injury. It recommended a number of changes in judicial procedure for the purpose of sifting such claims more promptly and effectively, on the ground that the best method of dealing with such cases is to provide machinery to expose the "fake."

There were a number of other minor recommendations and also its reasons for opposing the state fund.

On the whole it looks as if the commonwealth might get somewhere if it ordered a reprint of that 1929 report for study by the legislators at the next session.

HARTFORD COURANT 9/8/31

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CONCORD NH MONITOR 9/8/31

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ready referred to, two will certainly figure in the Legislature at special or regular session. The pre-primary convention and automobile insurance are essentially legislative problems.

The question of crime may be approached by legislation or by administration and application of existing laws.

The lively issue of state contracts is not a matter calling for any new legislation—the Legislature has in the past refused to enact a law which would have effected what the council undertook to do by its preferential awards.

REP. SPRINGFIELD 9/10/31

DECISION RESERVED IN HATHAWAY CASE

Arguments Heard on Appeal For New Trial For Fall River Youth

Providence, R. I., Sept. 9 — After more than two hours of arguments for and against a new trial for Elliott R. Hathaway, convicted of the murder of Miss Verna E. Russell, Judge Charles A. Walsh in superior court this afternoon reserved decision.

It was indicated at the courthouse that it might be a week or 10 days before Judge Walsh hands down his decision.

Atty Charles Hurley, counsel for the Fall River "playboy" accused of strangling the pretty nurse in a lonely Tiverton lane, asserted that the verdict was against the evidence, that Atty Gen Benjamin M. McLyman was "unfair" in terming the defendant a "drugstore cowboy" and that Hathaway should be given another trial.

QUINCY PAT. LEDGER

MAYOR'S VACATION ORDER

(Boston Herald)

Mayor Curley seems fully justified in his new ruling relative to vacations and conventions. It has been customary for many city employes to request leave of absence, with pay, to attend conventions which discuss municipal problems. Permission is usually to be had for the asking, even though the meeting may be in a distant city and may last a week. The petitions for this special privilege have become so numerous that the mayor has issued his cease-and-desist notice. He says in effect: "Conventions are grand things. Go, ladies and gentlemen, by all means go, but only on your own time. Make your vacation date coincide with that of the convention." Heretofore many city employes have thus been obtaining two vacations with full pay. As the municipal day and week are short, it is not unreasonable to ask city servants to take only one extended period of rest, relaxation, and stimulation.

The understanding in City Hall is that the regular vacations of all salaried employes, exept executives, are theirs only by the grace of the department heads. A person paid by daily wage is entitled by law to two weeks pay. Salaried workers are entitled to none at all. They obtain their holidays invariably, that being the custom, but a department head may make the period long or short or deny it altogether if he wishes to. In short, salaried employes, except execu- regular vacations and leaves of absence for conventions have been enjoying two respites to which they have, strictly, no legal right.

Curley in his Labor-day address to become effective on January 1 have not been worked out, leaders of industry and civic organizations expressed approval or partial approval of the mayor's proposal, especially as a relief for unemployment.

The mayor's announcement Monday, prompted by the spirit of the day, was made while he was still studying the proposition and before any definite arrangements for its functioning had been made. He said that it would probably be 60 days before the details of the plan would be worked out.

He also said that it was not his intention of placing an undue burden on the city's tax payers, but that h believed it could be accomplished without such result. He emphasized that this proposal was not a major contribution to the relief of unemployment, but as a precursor of universal adoption by government and industry of the five-day working week.

It is the mayor's general intention to shut down municipal departments under his control at the expiration of regular working hours on Friday. Because of statutory requirements, certain departments must function Saturday and it is planned to maintain a skeleton force to handle business which will permit of no delay. Typical examples of departments which cannot be closed all day Saturday are the health department and the city registry where birth records and marriage licenses are obtained.

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LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 9/10/31

WOLL LAUDS CURLEY'S FIVE-DAY WEEK PLAN

BOSTON, Sept. 9. (AP).—Matthew Woll, vice president of the American Federation of Labor, in a telegram to Mayor James M. Curley today said the latter's proposed five-day-week plan was "the most progressive action yet taken anywhere in dealing with the relief of unemployment."

"Your practical response to labor's appeal and your determination to set an example for all other employers to follow, governmental as well as private, gives hope and encouragement to all," the telegram said.

LOW PRICES PREVAIL FOR TITLE FIGHTS THESE DAYS

NEW YORK, Sept. 10 (AP)—A dis- ionship battle. Tony Canzoneri is o defend his lightweight title gainst Jack Kid Berg at the Polo rounds tonight and $5 will buy he best seat in the place.

The unusually low top price, the esult of several failures this sum- er, is expected to bring out a rowd of about 30,000 to see Can- oneri defend his title for the sec- nd time against the English hirlwind. It is the third and rub- er meeting between the two, but n the first occasion, when Berg ave the grinning New Yorker one f the worst beatings of his career ony had not yet taken the light- eight crown from Al Singer.

Reversing the situation before heir battle in Chicago, when Can- oneri avenged that earlier defeat y knocking out Berg in the second ound, the pre-battle "dope" is all n favor of the champion this time. anzoneri is favorite at about 2 to .

The eight round semi-final rings together Benny Miller, Cal- fornia middleweight, and Jack Ro- enberg of New York. Ray Miller f Chicago, once a lightweight title ontender, faces Jimmy McNamara f New York in another eight rounder.

BROCKTON TIMES 9/10/31

MAYOR ACTIVE AT CONFERENCE

Gives Talk and Urges Study of Demerit System.

Mayor Harold D. Bent took a prominent part in the discussion on increased auto insurance rates at the meeting of 100 mayors and selectmen from all over the state called in Boston Wednesday by Mayor James M. Curley. The gathering went on record as in favor of studying the demerit insurance plan.

Mayor Bent gave a short talk in favor of the plan and made the motion that it be studied.

The gathering also went on record for Gov. Ely calling a special session of the legislature.

Mayor Bent was accompanied by City Clerk J. Albert Sullivan, City Auditor Chester T. Swanson and Representative Joseph Downey.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 9/7/31

FALL RIVER'S BIG DEMOCRATIC RALLY FIZZLES

Widely Heralded Curley-Ely Match Fails to Materialize

NEITHER APPEARS

Nor Does Walsh, Nor Any Other Celebrity—So High Sheriff Talks

By JAMES H. GUILFOYLE

PORTSMOUTH, R. I., Sept. 6.—The widely heralded outing of the Fall River Democrats, expected to be the first test of strength between supporters of Governor Ely and Mayor Curley, fizzled in this neutral shore dinner haven today.

About 250 men and women of Democratic inclination made the trip from Fall River to Island park, but the after-dinner performance was minus the leading characters. Neither Governor Ely nor Mayor Curley put in an appearance. The latter because he wasn't invited; the former because he is at his Westfield home preparing his two radio addresses this week.

Not Even Donahue

The crowd expected the governor would be unable to attend, but they did think Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic state committee, would be present as he is chairman of the Fall River finance commission.

It is the wide difference of opinion over the operations of the finance commission, which is emphasizing the definition of economy through curtailed service, reduced pay and other activities, that has led to a minority group advocating the formation of a Curley-for-Governor club. They have obtained recruits from the disappointed job hunters, and from those who didn't like the governor's independence in turning down the city committee choice for police commissioner and making his own selection.

This was the background of the stage, this afternoon, set for a real old-fashioned Democratic row.

"Denials"

The Fall River Democratic city committee made the arrangements, but sponsors denied the contract for the dinner was given to a Rhode Island concern to rebuke the state preference policy of the governor's council. And they didn't bring it here because they wanted to have the Ely-Curley battle on neutral territory. It was just because Portsmouth is a nice place.

But whatever the reason, it is evident that Massachusetts Democratic leaders won't do their campaigning in Rhode Island. Governor Ely sent polite regrets and so did U. S. Sen. David I. Walsh. There wasn't a single celebrity of more than local fame in attendance.

If anyone had the idea that Governor Ely was going to take it on the chin, even in his absence, he Nellie Sullivan of Fall River, the national committeewoman, Dr. James J. McCarthy of Attleboro and Rep. Arthur Gouiart of New Bedford all testified "that Governor Ely was making a very wonderful chief executive and doing a good job."

"A Tense Moment"

The gathering was not without its tense moments. They were supplied by High Sheriff Edmond P. Talbot, former mayor of Fall River and vice chairman of the Democratic state committee. Mr. Talbot talks expressive English and this was his first opportunity to tell the Democrats what he thought about his defeat for re-election as mayor last year.

Briefly he hold them that he didn't see that Fall River was being run any better or that the government was any more efficient than when he was at the helm. The only difference, he said, was in an economy that was depriving citizens of certain public welfare services that it was promised wouldn't be taken from them.

Mr. Talbot had to pause here because he was in a dickens of a fix.

He couldn't continue in that strain if it was to be interpreted that he was criticizing Governor Ely's finance commission and yet he could hardly commend (at least at a Democratic meeting) the reductions in pay which the commission has deemed necessary in the salaries of city employes to help the municipality recover financial stability.

Rides Dilemma

So Mr. Talbot said he wasn't criticizing anybody. He supposed all were doing the best they could but the people were entitled to the public welfare services and a proper education for their children.

"You have heard," said the high sheriff (by appointment until the next election), "that I may be a candidate for mayor again. You couldn't give me the job with a unanimous vote. When I was mayor I gave all that was in me and I would refuse the job again."

Then Mr. Talbot threw a few hot shots at the "job hunters" which many interpreted as a defense of the governor's appointment of a police commissioner of his own choosing. He told his listeners that if they were just Democrats because of a job that wasn't being a Democrat-it was a personal matter.

Change Government?

Fall River adopted the plan D charter last year and has a city manager. There is talk of changing it. Mr. Talbot declared he would be with any movement to change it for a government that would be truly representative of the people.

"Let's have a manly government and not a buck passing one," he said. "When you go to the mayor's office at City hall and ask him something don't let him put the blame on the city manager and vice-versa." Which statement must have made Mayor Sullivan's ears burn even though he wasn't there.

The High Sheriff, after explaining how the politicians were taking advantage of the proposed increase in compulsory insurance rates to climb aboard the band wagon and make a big noise, offered his own solution for this problem.

New Plan

He would have rates made by the insurance commissioner and two associates. He would have in each municipality of 10,000 or more a representative of the insurance department, who, with a representative of the insurance company and a third to be selected by them would pass on the justice of claims.

After they had made their decision the commissioners would be the final arbiters. The claims would be passed on within 48 hours to save expense that comes with pending claims, according to the plan. The system would be supported one-third by the state, one-third by the insurance companies and the remainder would be cared for in the rates.

During the afternoon there was some weighty and profound opinion expressed. John H. Backus came up from New Bedford to tell about that moratorium and the "need of leadership" and incidentally to drop the word that Governor Roosevelt of New York and Governor White of Ohio would be the Democratic national ticket to lead the United States from the wilderness.

Bi-Metalism

And Arthur E. Seagrave, who once called Uxbridge his home, discussed international bi-metalism. Mr. Seagrave, who once was an assistant attorney-general, said the world monetary developments of recent months prove that "Bryan was right."

And he said Bryan—not Barnum as some young voter who never heard of free silver whispered as a sort of correction.

Incidentally Mr. Seagrave is seriously mentioned as a possible candidate for Congress in the Fall River district, where he would have to oppose Cong. Joseph W. Martin. And again incidentally, Mr. Seagrave had much to do with Fall River's adoption of a Plan D charter.

And it may mean, incidentally that when Mr. Talbot bespoke his willingness to join any movement for a charter change, he was thinking about Mr. Seagrave running for Congress.

Oratorical Gem

Sen. William S. Conroy of Fall River gave a characteristic oratorical gem during which he remarked that old age assistance petitioners in his city were not getting enough and the matter should be called to the governor's attention by petition.

P. H. Murphy, chairman of the city committee presided. Before the speech-making the Democrats ate clams. They always do before they throw the shells.

BROCKTON TIMES 9/8/31

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QUINCY NEWS 9/8/31

Curley Proposes Workless Scheme

Boston (UP) — Mayor James M. Curley hopes every community in the country will adopt the unemployment relief system he plans to establish in Boston January 1.

He celebrated Labor day by announcing that beginning with the new year city employes here will work on a five-day week basis.

This will make possible the employment of some 2000 additional men, representing a 12 per cent. increase in personnel, without any reduction in the compensation of present workers, according to the mayor.

While it was estimated this plan would increase the municipal payroll by not less than $50,000 weekly, or something like $2,500,000 a year, the mayor pointed out that he had granted no salary increases to city workers last year or this year. This represented a total saving of about $2,000,000 — ample, he believed, to warrant a start on the five-day week plan.

Discussing the unemployment situation, Mayor Curley said:

"It is a serious condition. Nobody wants the dole. But you have only two choices, either work and wages for the American people, or the dole, and we believe in work and wages."

WORCESTER GAZETTE 9/8/31

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FITCHBURG SENTINEL 9/8/31

CURLEY'S FIVE-DAY WEEK

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The federal postoffice department tries to operate more nearly on a strict business basis than does the governments of our hundreds of municipalities throughout the country, and that is one big reason why one finds Messrs. Curley and Brown singing out of harmony on the moot question of a shorter working week.

If the government, whether it is municipal, state, or federal, conducted its affairs on sound business principles, it would never advocate increasing production costs by jacking up the payroll at a time when business was poor and income was declining

A politician, of course, does not have to think of the consequences of his rash moves. Mayor Curley may propose offhand in a Labor Day speech a five-day week for municipal employees, and as far as he is concerned the matter ends there. But the taxpayers do not find an end of the matter so quickly and easily. They are left holding the bag; they must foot the added bill which the five-day week will mean.

A municipality should be run in many respects like a large business corporation. It functions to give its citizens certain services—police and fire protection, refuse collection, street construction and maintenance, supervision of water supply, public health, parks, playgrounds, and similar services. For every dollar of the taxpayer's money the government should aim to obtain for the people a full dollar's worth of service.

Certainly, this business procedure cannot be followed when the mayor, or head of the corporation, advocates less work for the same pay on the part of subordinates. Such a mayor may be compared to a corporation chairman who says to his subordinates: "The books are showing this year a loss where last year they showed a profit. Consequently, I am going to give each and every one of you an increase in pay."

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 9/8/31

MAYOR TO ATTEND NEW RATE PROTEST

Mayor Landers stated Tuesday that he and the city solicitor would attend the meeting of the mayors, chairmen of boards of selectmen, and city and town councils in Boston, Wednesday, called by Mayor Curley for the purpose of formulating plans for fighting the proposed increase in the compulsory automobile insurance rates.

LYNN ITEM 9/8/31

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WORCESTER POST 9/8/31

Sternlof Frowns On Curley Plan

Says Five-Day Week Would Increase Taxes

The five-day week plan for Boston city employes, without loss of pay, sponsored by Mayor Curley, does not appeal to Alderman Axel U. Sternlof, chairman of the special taxation committee of the City Council. "It seems to me that this is a movement in which industry should take the lead rather than a municipality," Alderman Sternlof said today. "The proposition is drastic for a city where the taxpayers are already heavily burdened and would be followed by suffering on the part of small home owners. The committee of which I am chairman, is seeking ways to reduce taxes by a comprehensive study of the different departments, and while I cannot speak for the members, it seems to me that any movement at this time that increases the city expenses is absolutely foolish."

A new angle entered the discussion of the project today when it was found that the law requires certain city departments to be open for the transaction of public business every day in the year except Sundays and holidays. Among these departments are the office of the city clerk, the city treasury and the board of health. Mayor Curley suggests that these departments can operate on Saturdays with skeleton organizations.

Alderman-at-Large Victor E. Hillman, also a member of the taxation committee, said that he has not given the matter sufficient study to formu

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After telling the meaning of Labor Day and the work that has been done by organized labor under the guidance of Late Samuel Gompers and now under President William Green of the American Federation of Labor, the mayor asked what was the future of organized labor.

"A plea has been made," he continued, "for a special session of congress and the right to expend five billion dollars for the benefit of the American nation. This plea falls on deaf ears. 'Oh', says the President, 'we will appoint another commission.' When the war was on and the Belgians had to be fed, they were fed food, but we have been in the midst of an economic war for more than two years and they fed us on commissions and they still attempt to feed us on commissions.

"It is time to change this condition, and President Green is right when he says the five-day week is the answer."

President James T. Moriarty of the Massachusetts State Federation of Labor, speaking on the same program, called upon Massachusetts citizens to demand of their representatives in the general court favorable action towards having a constitutional convention in order to amend the present constitution regarding the present compulsory automobile insurance laws.

"Such a convention", he said, "can be called by action of the legislature. If these automobile owners and their friends who rightly and properly resent the extortion now being practiced by the insurance companies will prevail upon their senators and representatives to force the calling of a constitutional convention we will be able to correct this evil. Otherwise, we fear that the privileged few will continue indefinitely to collect a tax upon every automobile owner in the state."

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 9/8/31

BOSTON TO HAVE FIVE DAY WEEK

Mayor Curley Safeguards City Employes' Jobs, He Declares

Hopes Other Centers Will Follow Suit, He Says in Address

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NORWOOD MESSENGER 9/8/31

Will Have No Racial Barriers

The City of Boston is preparing to play a significant part in the nation-wide program for the George Washington Bicentennial celebration in 1932.

Mayor James M. Curley has authorized an official committee, and the executive committee has been named and is now functioning with Thomas A. Mullen as chairman. The secretary of the committee, E. B. Mero, and several of its members were actively associated in the organization and conduct of the Mass. Bay Tercentenary of 1930. They will bring to the Bicentennial committee the fruit of that experience.

The policy of the Boston part in next year's Washington Bicentennial will involve the participation of all organizations and groups of people of various racial backgrounds who are to be encouraged to join in the general program.

The various events in Boston are to be so arranged as to interest and in some instances involve the cooperation of other communities of Massachusetts. Besides the expected pageantry parades and historic features of the holidays, and the renewed attention to points of sentimental and patrotic attraction to visitors the Boston Committee proposes to have reproduced one of the journeys that Washington made through New England. Arrangements for such a spectacular event would require the cooperation of various cities and towns through which Washington passed as Citizen, General or President on the way from New York through Connecticut, Springfield, Worcester, to Boston and then by way of Salem and Newburyport through New Hampshire and into Maine.

The date for this proposed historical pageantry procession has not been fixed. There are three good opportunites, in October when he made a good-will tour of New England as President in 1789, in July when he came to take command of the army at Cambridge in 1775, or in February when he came as a young man of 23 years to seek adjustment of his status as a military officer in 1756.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 9/8/31

PORT OF BOSTON GROUP OFFERS SPECIAL SHOW

A program has been arranged for the special show at the Capitol theater tonight at 11.15 in behalf of the local division of the Port of Boston society which is now being formed under the direction of Blundon Wills, representing Mayor James M. Curley and the Commercial, Industrial and Publicity Bureau of Boston.

Mr. Wills says the new society has a definite goal in view, namely, a four-day sailing service to Europe with trunk line rail connections serving New England from all parts of the United States. It is the belief of the sponsors of this movement now under way that if the public will again become interested in New England's destiny as a shipping center, it can regain prestige in the world of oceanic commerce.

There will be no admission charge to the performance at the Capitol tonight and the public is invited to attend. An address by John T. Scully, director of industry for the city of Boston, will head the program. In addition to Mr. Scully's address, sound pictures made of the Port of Boston will be shown and Arthur Martel, organist at the Metropolitan theater in Boston, who is well known by the majority of showgoers in Worcester, will present a recital. Other features have been arranged for by Elmer Daniels, manager of the Capitol. The performance is for adults only.

NEW BEDFORD MERCURY 9/8/31

CURLEY TO PLACE BOSTON CITY EMPLOYES ON FIVE-DAY WEEK

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HAVERHILL GAZETTE 9/8/31

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LAWRENCE EAGLE 9/8/31

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LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 9/8/31

CURLEY TO PUT CITY WORKERS IN BOSTON ON FIVE-DAY WEEK: URGES OTHERS TO JOIN PLAN

Says Scheme Will Make Room for 16 Per Cent More Employees

Firemen, Policemen and Institution Workers Will Be Exempt

Says There Is No Other Answer to "Inventive Genius of Nation"

When questioned last evening about the possibility of introducing the five-day plan in the municipal departments in Lowell, as Mayor Curley will do in Boston next January, Mayor Thomas H. Braden said he had not seen the details of Curley's plan and would not discuss its local application until he had given it some study.

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LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 9/8/31

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"Every mule," Mayor Curley said, "that did an honest day's work in the construction of the Acropolis was led out to pasture, when the work was finished, and permitted to end his days eating long, luscious, green grass and drinking from wells of pure water. And we would deny to the Grand Army veterans what the Greeks granted to the mules that worked on the construction of the Acropolis."

BERGEN TIMES 9/8/31

Curley, at labor meeting, announces five-day week for city employees, starting Jan. 1.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 9/5/31

HUB 'BOSS' LINKED WITH AUTO SURETY

Lynn Mayor Sees Scant Hope For Revision—Inquiry Asked

BOSTON, Sept. 4 (AP)—A charge that a "political boss" in Boston was "tied up with insurance interests," and a demand for a legislative investigation of all insurance companies writing automobile insurance in Massachusetts were the outstanding developments today in the attack upon proposed increases in automobile insurance rates.

Declaring he saw little hope for revision of rates, Mayor J. Fred Manning of Lynn charged that members of the Legislature were "forced to heed their master's voice" and that "the voice was that of a political boss in Boston who was allied with the insurance companies."

Definite action was taken by two of Revere's representatives in the Legislature, Sen. Conde Brodbine and Rep. Thomas F. Carroll, who filed with the Senate clerk a resolve asking creation of a special legislative commission to investigate all companies writing automoble insurance in the state.

The commission, which would be given an appropriation of $5000, would be authorized to recommend any revisions of the present automobile insurance law it saw fit, and would consist of three senators, four representatives and four persons to be appointed by the governor.

Meanwhile, the proposed rate increases were denounced from many quarters in the metropolitan area. Former Governor Alvan T. Fuller renewed his attack upon the high rates with the statement that "action, not political ballyhoo," was needed to clear up the situation, and the expressed opinion that the insurance companies should band together to prosecute faked nuisance claims.

In order to avoid conflict with the protest meeting of mayors and selectmen called by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, which is to be held in the Boston City hall, Wednesday morning, Mayor John J. Murphy today changed the time of the meeting of the federation of municipalitiss to Tuesday afternoon.

The problem of automobile insurance rates will be discussed by Gov. Ely in a radio address Tuesday night. This will be the governor's first public statement on the question

HERALD, RUTLAND 9/8/31

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NASHUA TELEGRAPH 9/8/31

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WORCESTER POST 9/10/31

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WORCESTER GAZETTE 9/10/31

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The measure filed today by Representative MacLeod is the same legislation that was brought to the attention of the Legislature during the last session.

Under the terms of Representative MacLeod's measure vehicles involved in accidents would be classified by the registrar of motor vehicles in three groups, according to the seriousness of the accident and the degree of responsibility. Cars placed in the first class as a result of being involved in the least serious offenses would, under the provisions of the measure, be required to pay the standard premium plus 10 per cent. Vehicles classified in group two would be required to pay 25 per cent additional.

The bill provides that cars to be classified in the second group would include those twice involved in accidents in a year. Cars grouped in the third classification would, under the bill's provisions, be required to pay an additional 50 per cent.

Notice of the classification of a car, the bill provides, would have to be sent by the registrar to the person affected, the insurance company and the insurance commissioner. Provision is made in the measure for a review of the registrar's decision by the board of appeal created under the compulsory automobile insurance law. The request for review, the bill provides, would have to be accompanied by a cash deposit of $50 or by a bond with good and sufficient sureties satisfactory to the board in the sum of $150 and conditions to pay such excess or penalty premium as may be determined upon

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 9/9/31

Municipal Five-Day Week

Mayor Curley's plan to put certain municipal employes on a five-day week without reduction in "salaries" can be studied better when it begins to operate. The mayor's announcement bravely implied the retention of six days' pay for five days' work. But this is not a time when public pay rolls can be burdened with any increase in rates of pay. Mayor Curley knows this as well as anybody; in fact, he has shown himself eager to prevent an advance in the city's tax rate by more than a moderate amount, such as would seem suitable for a period when additional expenses were necessary to provide employment and relieve distress.

On its face, Mayor Curley's announcement calls for an increase in the number of municipal employes at prevailing "salaries." But it is stated that the police, fire, school, hospital and institutions departments are not affected. The classes of labor chiefly affected will be those in the public works department. It is to be assumed that a majority of these employes are on an hourly wage, or a weekly wage calling for a specified number of hours of work. It is obvious that where an hourly wage is paid the hours per week can be reduced and more men hired without increase in the wage bill. This is already being done in a variety of trades. But if each man is to receive the same weekly wage as formerly and less work is required of him, the public wage bill will rise.

In the case of common labor working at a relatively low rate some such dilution of efficiency might be expedient in some circumstances as an alternative to public aid in the form of charity. But as a general wage policy Mayor Curley's plan is impossible of application without an increase in public costs that no one can contemplate with equanimity at a time when large-scale public and private expenditures for the relief of industrial unemployment are imperative. As Chairman Howard of the state commission on administration and finance says, "the plan makes 'inescapable either an increase of 'one-sixth in the expenditures of the 'city or a cut of one-sixth in the 'wages of employes to allow for the 'increased number of employes which 'would be required to get the work 'done."

Mayor Curley's proposal is likely to look less formidable when—and if—steps are taken to put it into effect. In the meantime the city council will doubtless have something to say, and so will the taxpayers. But five-day-week proposals in public employment are likely to be more numerous. Postmaster - General Brown on Monday pointed out to the letter carriers that a five-day week in their work without reduction of compensation would merely increase the postoffice department's deficit, which is already $150,000,000 a year. The effect would be that of an advance in salary for all workers affected. In some cases such proposals may be urged as a means of countering salary or wage reductions, but no dilution of labor practices that increases public costs can now be seriously considered.

MALDEN NEWS 9/9/31

Unfair To Careful Drivers

FOR NINE drivers out of ten the new auto insurance rates are absurdly exorbitant. Moreover, where may we expect them to stop? Every year since the compulsory law was passed they have gone up; for 1932 they will be about twice what they were in 1927. We are told that they go up because accidents continue to increase and are especially numerous in this part of the Commonwealth. It is also true that they go up because the business of making false or exorbitant claims grows every year bolder, and the insurance companies yield to such claims without fighting them. They also go up because careless and incompetent drivers are not properly penalized and the good drivers who seldom or never have an accident are required to bear the burden of other people's offenses. It does no good to demand the removal of the Commissioner as Mayor Curley and countless minor politicians are shrieking for. As long as the system encourages fake claims and the penalizing of the careful driver, the rates must and will go up. As it stands the law takes money out of the pocket of the decent motorist to feed the shysters and pay the bills of the reckless and the incompetent. If the law is not modified to meet these obvious weaknesses it will shortly break down completely. It is not at present justifying itself, and it does not seem likely to do so in the future. The only way it can succeed is by amendments that put the cost of accidents on the pockets of those who are responsible for them, and ruling habitual offenders sternly and permanently off the road.

PITTSFIELD EAGLE 9/9/31

WOULD WORK SHORTER WEEK

Boston City Employees to Try New Schedule Starting in January

BOSTON, Sept. 9—City employees of Boston will start working on a five-day week basis, beginning in January, as a means of relieving unemployment and as an offset to the "vanishing job," Mayor Curley announced at the golden anniversary exercises of Labor Day at the Parkman bandstand on Boston common Monday.

The five-day week will mean an increase of employees by 12 per cent, and will be carried out under a stagger system, the details of which are yet to be worked out. The mayor hopes that Boston's example will influence cities and states throughout the nation to follow suit.

This will mean no cut in pay for city workers and will entail no shortening of the time that city departments will keep open, it was learned on inquiry Monday night.

Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox and Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman have been and are working out the details of the stagger system, by which 2000 more men will be given city jobs at full pay, and the departments and offices and work of the city will continue on full time with all employees having two full days off a week, like school teachers.

The 7000 teachers in the public schools are already practically on the five-day working week plan. The 2500 policemen will have to be approached through Police Commissioner Hultman. But the 9224 men in the public works department, the 2000 men and women in the hospital department, and the city [illegible] will go directly on the five-day week, when and if the mayor is able to accomplish it, as he hopes to do in January.

The mayor in press conferences already held on the matter has estimated that the five-day week for city employees means an increase in the payroll of a minimum of $50,000 a week, or over $2,500,000 a year. But he has increased no salaries of city workers last year or this year, which he estimated to mean a saving of about $1,000,000 for each of those two years, or a total of $2,000,000, which he figures is ample to provide a start for the five-day project.

He may have to go to the legislature to get authority to put his plan into effect and the corporation counsel's job is to find out the legal aspects of the matter. The budget commissioner is working out the financial and physical aspects of the shift to the stagger system for all city departments and jobs.

The mayor's estimate of a saving of $1,000,000 a year by his not increasing city salaries, except for police and fire department men who were under the maximum, came from the increase which he said amounted to $1,098,450 in city salaries granted by former Mayor Nichols just before he went out of office.

It was pointed out that city laborers on the regular payroll are employed at a yearly salary and not be the day or hour and that they will suffer no cut in pay through the five-day work week o[illegible]

9/9/31

WALTHAM NEWS-TRIBUNE

Five day week.

If Mayor Curley has his way, Boston will be the pioneer among municipalities in the adoption of a five-day week for the city departments. That the five-day week is among the innovations of the future for most industries is probable. It has already been adopted by several trades and by some industrial plants. This is one of the questions upon which a newspaper can comment with more or less impartiality for there is little prospect that a newspaper plant will be operated on a five-day-week plan until the millenium is visible on the horizon. Whether it is advisable for Boston to become the pioneer in the movement for placing municipalities on a five-day basis is something for the people of that city to decide. And it is hardly likely that they will, under present conditions, decide in the affirmative.

The object of Mayor Curley's proposal is laudable. He desires to give employment to a large number of people without subjecting those already in the city employ to reduction in pay. As a matter of fact the plan would be equivalent to an increase in pay. There would be no difficulty in the adjustment of the work to the plan. Any head of a department, given a sufficient number of men and women, could re-arrange his schedule on a five-day basis. The taxpayers are the ones to be considered. That this action on the part of the mayor would in any way stimulate private business may be doubted. If it did not tend to reduce employment the city would be fortunate, for property owners in Boston have for some time complained that their property was overvalued, and it is upon them that the principal burden of the increased cost would fall.

That is one side of the question. The other is that many would be given remunerative employment by the city, either making vacancies in private business or relieving unemployment by giving jobs to those who now do not have them. It is contended also that the plan would mean a material reduction in the amount spent for relief. The plan is not yet in operation nor is it likely that it will immediately become effective. If it does the result will be watched with considerable interest by other cities in and outside Massachusetts.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 9/9/31

LEADERS BACK FIVE-DAY PLAN

Business Men Point to Own Successful Opration of System

Boston, Sept. 9—Although details for the five-day week plan for municipal departments annouced by Mayor Curley in his Labor-day address to become effective on January 1 have not been worked out, leaders of industry and civic organizations expressed approval or partial approval of the mayor's proposal, especially as a relief for unemployment.

The mayor's announcement Monday, prompted by the spirit of the day, was made while he was still studying the proposition and before any definite arrangements for its functioning had been made. He said that it would probably be 60 days before the details of the plan would be worked out.

He also said that it was not his intention of placing an undue burden on the city's tax payers, but that he believed it could be accomplished without such result. He emphasized that this proposal was not a major contribution to the relief of unemployment, but as a precursor of universal adoption by government and industry of the five-day working week.

It is the mayor's general intention to shut down municipal departments under his control at the expiration of regular working hours on Friday. Because of statutory requirements, certain departments must function Saturday and it is planned to maintain a skeleton force to handle business which will permit of no delay. Typical examples of departments which cannot be closed all day Saturday are the health department and the city registry where birth records and marriage licenses are obtained.

9/9/31

FALL RIVER HERALD-NEWS

LEY

(Boston Post)

Most Bostonians will not be disappointed if Mayor Curley reconsiders his determination to contest for the Democratic nomination for governor next year. Some may think that Mr. Ely, if he cares for a second term, should have a free field for the honor, but the real reason is that Mr. Curley was elected for four years and his term will not expire ordinarily until January, 1934. The citizens generally feel that he is doing a splendid job and would regret to lose his services even for one year. In 1934 he would have an opportunity, unhampered by official cares, to strike for the higher goal and even more distinguished service.

GLOUCESTER TIMES 9/9/31

THE FIVE DAY WEEK

What organized labor has sought for a decade, Mayor Curley grants by a stroke of the pen, or rather by a few mellifluous words from that facile tongue. How does he do it? By what authority does he add 800 people to the pay roll? Most people are so dazed by the strange happenings of these ominous times that they do not question the mayor's authority. However, Mayor Curley is not yet a czar, and we have no doubt that tax payers through the courts will question his right to confiscate their property by increasing their tax burdens. What the country needs is lower taxes rather than higher.

Selectman Bremer of Brookline approves the mayor's action except in one respect. He would have five days' pay given for five days' labor. This would not suit the mayor, nor organized labor whose votes he seeks. Thus the privileged class of city employes is not asked to make any of the sacrifices which are demanded of us all. Almost universally we are obliged to cut down our expenses and live within a reduced income. Public employes have the same income as before, and have it every week in the year. Moreover, the cost of living has in fact raised the buying power of their salaries, and they are sitting pretty. Municipal employes, postal clerks and carriers are better off than ever in these hard times. Mayor Curley, however, does not ask for any sacrifices from this privileged class, and will give them five and a half days' pay for five days labor.

Thus we go on defying economic law. Chile has had a rebellion because for years that nation has defied economic law. Fall River is in the receiver's hands because she defied economic law, and several other Massachusetts cities are hastening toward the same goal. The whole country is depressed because it has been defying economic law. He also wants the nation to borrow five billions for an enormous building program. What and where he does not say. In short, Mayor Curley's program carried out to its conclusion, would approximate the condition of that happy isle where everybody made a living by taking in one another's washing. Mayor Curley offers us a quack remedy for our ills.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 9/9/31

MAYORS MAKE DEMANDS FOR ACTION TO HALT RATE INCREASES

48 City and Town Officials in Favor of Special Session

(Special Dispatch to The Daily News)

Boston, Sept. 9—Gov Ely will call a special session of the Legislature to act on a plan he has in mind for solution of the automobile insurance problem, it was learned from an authoritative source at the State House today.

Gov Ely was asked this afternoon as to the probable special session and he declined to talk on it. It is believed that he will announce his intention to issue the call when he speaks over the radio tonight between 8 and 8.30 on the compulsory automobile insurance rates.

Intimation was given by the governor to the executive council at its session this afternoon that he probably will call them in special session before the next regular meeting a week from today to approve the legislative call.

The natural inference is that the Legislature will be asked by the governor to act to rectify the rising liability insurance rate on motor vehicles. Consensus is that the most logical step will be the repeal of the present compulsory law and substitution of some other statute that will bring about more equitable rates and better safeguard against mal practices that have become common under present conditions.

Undoubtedly Gov Ely in his radio speech tonight will set forth his ideas as to what legislation is necessary.

That the governor has made his decision to call a special session several days ago seemed obvious today.

At a meeting of mayors of various cities of the state called by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston and held today at the Boston city hall, it was voted unanimously to request the governor to call a special legislative session. The only Western Massachusetts executives present at this meeting were Mayor William T. Dillon of Holyoke and Mayor Henry Cloutier of Chicopee.

Boston, Sept. 9—A motion for a special session of the Legislature to investigate the whole structure of compulsory automobile insurance rates in Massachusetts was adopted by unanimous vote this afternoon at the meeting of officials of cities and towns, called at city hall by Mayor James M. Curley.

Forty-eight mayors, selectmen and other officials of cities and towns throughout the commonwealth attended the meeting and registered their protests against the proposed increases in compulsory automobile insurance rates.

Mayor Andrew J. Cassassa of Revere, in making the motion, declared that there is too much work already facing the regular session of the Leg-

Frank A. Goodwin, chairman of the Boston finance commission, argued in favor of his suggestion to set up a state-controled insurance company to compete with outside insurance companies. He also argued a special session of the Legislature and the appointment of a commission to investigate automobile accident claims.

Goodwin attacked the policy of the present law in allowing the insurance companies to compile the figures. He said the figures presented to Insurance Commissioner Merton L. Brown were not under oath.

"There are crooked lawyers and crooked doctors," said Goodwin, "but there may also be crooked insurance companies."

Mayor John J. Murphy of Somerville protested that the insurance companies were now making a fair margin of profit and objected to the increase in the rates.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 9/10/31

LABOR HEAD LAUDS CURLEY JOB PLAN

BOSTON Sept. 9 (AP) — Matthew Woll, vice president of the American Federation of Labor, in a telegram to Mayor James M. Curley, today, said the latter's proposed five-day week plan was "the most progressive action yet taken anywhere in dealing with the relief of unemployment."

"Your practical response to labor's appeal and your determination to set an example for all other employers to follow, governmental as well as private, gives hope and encouragement to all," the message said.

BOSTON TIMES 9/9/31

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE to comment intelligently on Mayor Curley's plan for a five day week for the employes of the city of Boston until the plan is developed further. Thus [illegible] details are too sketchy and unfinished.

IT IS NOT CLEAR whether or no[illegible]he city employes are to get six days pay for five days work, whether or not additional help will be hired to run the city six days a week.

AS A MATTER OF FACT it looks at the moment as if Mayor Curley had made his proposal in a moment of extemporaneous exuberance and has now begun to realize that he bit off a pretty good mouthful if not indeed more than he can possibly chew.

THE WHOLE FIVE DAY WEEK situation is heavily beclouded, anyway. In general labor expects six days pay for five days work. Employers, on the other hand, even those advocating the five day week, are, generally speaking, paying only five days pay for five days work.

WHAT THE EVENTUAL OUTCOME will be no one can predict. One phase of the situation is clear. If employed men can turn out as much work in five days as they now turn out in six, it is certain evidence that they are not working to capacity now.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/9/31

Mayor Curley's Fiv Day Week.

BOLD and arresting, the pledge to organized labor by Mayor Curley of Boston, that he will put most of Boston's public employes on a five-day week schedule, at full pay, beginning Jan. 1, if there are no legal obstacles. Facts adduced in buttressing his promise, or proposal, are strong. Machines have displaced millions of workers, a fact to which the shoe industry can testify, and other than in times of prosperity these workers are not absorbed by other gainful occupations. The five-day week at full pay, advanced by organized labor as one solution of this unemployment, might quicken the readjustment.

But can it be done, in the case of public employes, without adding unfairly to heavy tax burdens? Estimates of the expense involved in the Boston proposal, fixed at $25,000 up, do not square with the 800 additional jobs foreseen by Mr. Curley. Better set the figure at $500,000 up. There are about 7000 who would benefit, men and women who now work five and one-half days a week, when there are no holidays out, and as only 800 would be added to the city's payroll the benefits to Boston's unemployed are nothing to rhapsodize about—unless the speaker happens to be a politician and ambitious to be governor of Massachusetts. Mr. Curley's plan is more spectacular than practicable.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 9/9/31

Mayor Curley's Five-Day Week

As the city of Boston's contribution toward a solution of the unemployment problem, Mayor James M. Curley has announced that, beginning Jan. 1, all municipal employes directly under the control of the City Hall will go on a five-day working week basis in order to provide more work for the jobless. It is estimated that about 7000 of the city's 20,000 employes will be affected, as for obvious reasons the new plan cannot include the police and firemen or employes in certain other city departments.

Mayor Curley is quoted as saying that it will provide work for 800 additional persons on the five-day week basis. It should do more than that, if the 7000 estimate is correct, for to carry on the regular work schedule, six men working five days a week will be required to do the work five men have been doing in six days. This would call apparently for 1400 additional persons, or a total of 8400 instead of the present 7000.

Be that as it may, a highly interesting feature of the Mayor's plan is that while it reduces the working time of each employe by one day a week it does not reduce his pay. The compensation will be the same for five days as it now is for six days, not only for the present employes but also for the 800 or 1400, whichever it may be, additional employes to be taken on. This should make it agreeable to the employes, present and prospective, but possibly not so agreeable for the taxpayers.

It is stated in one Boston paper that estimates of the additional expense involved run from $25,000 a week up. Whatever the correct figure may be, it is certain that the payroll of the city is, in the words of the Boston Post, "bound to be vastly increased," and equally certain "that the money must be provided to meet it." Of course, there is only one source from which this money can come and that is the already somewhat burdened taxpayers, the great majority of whom will continue to work on a six-day schedule, if by good fortune they manage to retain their work or business.

The Post refers to it as an "ambitious program," and, calling attention to the fact that Mayor Curley recently announced that there would be no salary increases for city employes, makes the point that reducing the hours of labor one-sixth and at the same time continuing the wage scale now in effect is in reality a raise in pay. It is rather difficult to see it in any other light.

However, Mayor Curley is jubilant about it now, if he may not be when he tackles the city budget and has heard from the taxpayers. He has expressed the hope that Boston's example will be followed by every other community in America. A five-day week both in civil and industrial employment may be a development of the future but it is doubtful if there will be any widespread emulation at present of Mayor Curley's purpose to give city employes six days' pay for five days' work in order to provide five days' work at six days' pay for a limited but fortunate number of the unemployed.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 9/8/31

City Employes at Boston To Go On 5-Day Week Basis

Mayor Curley Announces Program That Will Increase Jobs By 12 Per Cent; Laborers to Be Put On Yearly Salary

Boston, Sept. 8—City employes of Boston will start working on a five-day week basis, beginning in January, as a means of relieving unemployment and as an offset to the "vanishing job," Mayor Curley announced at the golden anniversary exercises of Labor day at the Parkman bandstand on Boston Common yesterday.

The five-day week will mean an increase of employes by 12 per cent, and will be carried out under a stagger system, the details of which are yet to be worked out. The mayor hopes that Boston's example will influence cities and states throughout the nation to follow suit.

No Pay Reductions

This will mean no cut in pay for city workers and will entail no shortening of the time that city departments will keep open, it was learned on inquiry last night.

On the mayor's five-day week for city employes, more information was forthcoming last night. Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox and Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman have been and are working out the details of the stagger system, by which 2000 more men will be given city jobs at full pay, and the departments and offices and work of the city will continue on full time with all employes having two full days off a week, like school teachers.

The 7000 teachers in the public schools are already practically on the five-day working week plan. The 2500 policemen will have to be approached through Police Commissioner Hultman. But the 9224 men in the public works department, the 2000 men and women in the hospital department, the 1800 men in the fire department, and the City hall office forces will go directly on the five-day week, when and if the mayor is able to accomplish it, as he hopes to do in January.

$50,000 a Week Increase

The mayor in press conferences already he' on the matter has estimated that the five-day week for city employes means an increase in the payroll of a minimum of $50,000 a week, or over $2,500,000 a year. But he has increased no salaries of city workers last year or this year, which he estimated to mean a saving of about $1,000,000 for each of those two years, or a total of $2,000,000, which he figures is ample to provide a start for the five-day project.

He may have to go to the Legislature to get authority to put his plan into effect and the corporation counsel's job is to find out the legal aspects of the matter. The budget commissioner is working out the financial and physical aspects of the shift to the stagger system for all city departments and jobs.

Laborers on Yearly Salary

The mayor's estimate of a saving of $1,000,000 a year by his not increasing city salaries, except for police and fire department men who were under the maximum, came from the increase which he said amounted to $1,098,450 in city salaries granted by former Mayor Nichols just before he went out of office.

It was pointed out last night that city laborers on the regular payroll are employed at a yearly salary and not by the day or hour and that they will suffer no cut in pay through the five-day work week of the mayor.

The declaration for the five-day week was received with a wild outburst of applause by the thousands of people who attended the meeting which was held under the auspices of the Boston Central Labor Union. When the mayor left the stand after the meeting he was almost mobbed by hand-shaking workers who held up the progress of his automobile for 15 minutes before he could get away to other engagements.

Along with the mayor's announcement the crowd was also stirred by the declarations of James T. Moriarty, president of the State Federation of Labor. Labor was willing to cooperate with all interested, he said, in a constitutional convention which would correct the evils of automobile insurance, make possible a state fund for the workmen's compensation and eliminate life service for judges of the commonwealth.

It was during his remarks on the $5,000,000,000 national building program that the mayor discussed the five-day week.

Fed Up On Commissions

"When the war was on and the Belgians had to be fed, they were fed food," said the mayor. "We have had an economic war here for two years and they fed us on commissions and they are still attempting to feed us on commissions. It is time to change the condition.

"President Green of the American Federation of Labor says the five-day week is the answer. President Green is right. The five-day week is here. We are going to institute it in Boston in January and we hope the example set by the city may be generally accepted by evry other community in America. There is no other answer if the inventive genius of the American nation robs the people of America of 3,000,000 opportunities for a livelihood in 10 years, and if as economists state, in the next 10 years 4,000,000 more opportunities will vanish. There is only one answer and that is the adoption of the five-day week. You increase the number of employes by 16 per cent and you offset the vanishing job.

MALDEN NEWS 9/9/31

The Railway Question

ANOTHER Massachusetts business organization, the Boston Fruit and Produce Exchange has, through its committee appointed to study the situation, declared itself in favor of trunk line association with the railroads of New England and against the consolidation of the Boston & Maine and the New Haven into a single New England system. The trend of business opinion seems to be steadily in the same direction. When the discussion began two or three years ago nearly everyone seemed to be in favor of a New England system independent of trunk line control. The committee appointed by the New England governors' conference reported in favor of such a system. But since then one business group after another has registered dissent. The progress made by the Pennsylvania Railroad in getting working control of both New Haven and Boston & Maine has led to the fear that the end result would be the virtual control of New England business by a single trunk line with the consequent stifling of competition and neglect of the possibilities of the port of Boston. The Fruit and Produce Exchange would surrender the New Haven to the Pennsylvania and try to develop the Boston & Maine into a real trunk line to the West. Failing that it would tie the Boston & Maine to the Van Sweringen system in the evident hope that that system would be interested in making Boston the actual export outlet of its group of railways. We may almost take it for granted that the effort to build the Boson & Maine into a self-supporting trunk line will fail. The situation to the Westward is not favorable to the creation of another strong trunk line system. Nor is it certain that the Van Sweringen connection would boom the port of Boston as much as the Fruit and Produce men think it would. But it would introduce some real competition into the New England railroad business and might consequently result in a general improvement of our rail facilities both for outward and inward traffic.

PROVIDENCE JOURNAL 9/9/31

MAYOR DUNNE TO STUDY CURLEY'S FIVE-DAY PLAN

Proposition Would Affect Employes of Certain City Departments.

Mayor Dunne yesterday stated that he would look into the merits of the five-day plan for city employes which Mayor Curley of Boston announced Monday he would put into effect Jan. 1, for all city departments except institutions and the fire and police departments.

"I know little about Mayor Curley's proposition," Mayor Dunne said, "but I shall look into the merits of it and the feasibility of such a move in Providence. I will give it consideration."

WESTFIELD HERALD 9/9/31

THE COMING WINTER

To the Editor of The Herald:—

Sir: I was very much surprised to read Mayor Curley's recent statement attacking President Hoover and Gov Ely on their attitude on the unemployment situation. Hisstatement that no appeal should be made to the general public is indeed remarkable. His idea that Boston and Massachusetts can be taken care of by huge construction of public works and money raised from the tax levy, thereby putting all of the burden on real estate, is almost beyond belief. The wealthy people of the country have their investments largely in personal property, running into billions of dollars. In Mayor Curley's opinion all these people are exempt, which seems ridiculous.

I hope some of Mayor Curley's advisers will take him to task on this situation and I certainly hope that Gov Ely will see that everybody who can afford it (those who have money, whether in real estate, personal property or in the banks) will do their share toward relieving the conditions which seem likely to be ahead of us during the winter months.

KEENE SENTINEL 9/9/31

MAYOR CURLEY STATES CITY EMPLOYES WILL GO ON 5-DAY WEEK

Boston's Chief Executive Says This Method Will Help the Unemployed

Boston, Sept. 8, (AP)—Mayor James M. Curley has announced that beginning January 1, 1932 city employes would be placed on a five-day-week "to assure the workers the positions they now have." Employes of institutions and fire and police departments would be exempt.

In announcing the five-day-week during a meeting of the Boston Central Labor union, Mayor Curley said that several hundred more men would be put to work under the plan.

"I hope," he said, "the example set by the city will be generally accepted by every other community in America. There is no other answer if the inventive genius of the American nation robs the people of America of three million opportunities for a livelihood in 10 years, and if, as the economists state, in the next 10 years four million more opportunities will vanish.

"There is only one answer and that is the adoption of the five-day-week. You increase the number of employes by 16 per cent and you offset the vanishing job."

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 9/9/31

SPECHT FAVORS MERIT SYSTEM FOR INSURANCE

West-Side Selectman Gives Mayor Curley His Views on Auto Rates

West Springfield, Sept. 9—Chairman Richard J. Specht of the board of the board of selectmen in a night letter sent to Mayor James M. Curley of Boston last night sets forth his views on the matter of compulsory automobile insurance around which such a controversy has arisen since publication of the new schedule of advanced rates. Mayor Curley called a meeting of mayors, selectmen and legal representatives of the cities and towns of the state for today to confer on the situation and Selectman Specht, who had planned to attend, found that he was unable to do so because of pressure of local business and dispatched the letter insead. In his communication he made a note to make it clear that his views were to be considered as those of a private citizen greatly interested in the question of automobile insurance rather than those of a town official.

His letter is as follows: "Allow insurance companies a fair premium but compel companies to charge a lesser premious to those registered who have not been involved in personal injury accidents or where no liability on their part has existed. Permit companies to charge an additional premium to those where liability has existed in that there are and would be a greater number of those registered whose experience rating would mean reduced premiums. It seems equitable to permit insurance companies to charge a premium to those demerited sufficient to offset those whose experience would compel a lesser premium. Provided the statistics of the insurance commissioner would disclose that the percentage of those merited would be so great as to make the insurance cost to those demerited as unreasonable or prohibitive, then compel additional premiums of those who have been convicted of speeding or automobile violations of an important nature."

The main thought contained in the letter concerns the proposition of having careful drivers rewarded for theeir good records by placing additional insurance costs on those who would be demerited because of a poor record of driving. In developing such a system, Selectman Specht eexplained this morning that the percentage of drivers with good records is so much greater than those who have been involved in accidents that the additional premium for the latter group would be unreasonable and therefore suggests that the percentage of the demerited group be increased by including not only those who have been involved in accidents involving personal injury but also those who have been convicted of speeding or other major violations of the motor vehicle laws. By including this large group of drivers in the category of those to be demerited he feels that a more reasonable basis of establishing demerit assessments could be established.

BOSTON ARGUS-ADVOCATE 9/11/31

STRANDWAY HEARING CLEARS SOME POINTS

Mayor Curley Urges Both Sides Make Concessions. McDonald to Draw Another Compromise Plan

The meeting in the council chamber on the Strandway location last Friday, helped to clear up a lot of misunderstanding and it is hoped will prepare the way for the best possible solutions of the problem in the interests of the entire locality of East Boston and the public. The efforts of politicians to make a pow-wow out of the meeting were definitely squelched by Mayor Curley when he came in and took over its conduct after Chairman Long had described the several plans in an opening statement.

The Park Dept. Plan

The location of the Strandway, as proposed in the Park Commission plan, starts at the Neptune Rd. bridge over the Narrow Gauge, hugs the railroad location closely and passes through Coleridge St., leaving the Pigeon and other property on the shore side, continuing on about parallel to the Narrow Gauge, curving around the edge of the cove to Bayswater St., which it parallels the entire length, thence around by the boat yard and lumber yard to Saratoga St. The plan is for a road 150 feet wide and with no provision for a beach front. Outside that location the Boston Port Development company owns nearly 12,000,000 square feet of flats, or nearly a fourth of the entire area of the company property in East Boston. It was pointed out that the company and its predecessors have paid a heavy tax during all the years it has been held. In the last 30 years the tax on these flats, covered at high tide by water, has approximated $12,000 to $15,000 a year. In favoring the Strandway location of the Park department many persons have insisted that when the Strandway is constructed on the Park department location, the flats on the seaward side shall become beach property and a yacht roadstead, for which no compensation may be paid to the owners.

The plan provided for two 40-foot vehicle roads, a 20-foot reservation between them and a 10-foot sidewalk on each side. It provided for no beach or parking reservation for the public. It left the land in front of it to be utilized by the Port Development company for industrial purposes, railway yard trackage or anything it saw fit. Those favoring that plan did not vision anything but a beautiful beach and a yacht basin, which would have to be constructed [illegible]

Claim Riparian Rights

The proponents of the skirting road have claimed that people bought land on Shay's hill with riparian rights. No land, however, was thus sold with any shore rights in the entire Bayswater St. section. The Shay's hill section was sold to A. G. Tomasello many years ago by metes and bounds. What the purchasers of lots from Tomasello were told, they only know; but there was neither written deed nor private understanding that gave owners of that land any interest in the flats of the company.

Plans on Exhibition

When the hearing in City hall opened, the Park department plan, as above described, was on exhibition. The Development company also had a large plan showing in different colors the three proposed routes—first, the Park plan; second, the company's or original substitute plan which touched only the eastern end of Bayswater St., on its way to Saratoga St., and third, the company's compromise plan connecting with Bayswater St. at Waupello Rd. No plan except both those proposed by the company, provided for a beach frontage or for parking space.

There are 10 houses fronting on Bayswater St., from Thurston St. to Waupello Rd. In order to give this limited number of houses frontage on the proposed boulevard, the proponents of the Park department cove plan favored a narrow boulevard, with a sharply acute angle at Thurston St.

Development Company's Plan

The Development company plan showed a Strandway, 225 feet wide, connecting with Bayswater St. at Waupello Rd., thence around the shore on Bayswater St. to Saratoga St. There was also a highway connection from the boulevard to Austin St. or St. Edward's Rd. In front of the boulevard as laid out was a beach 500 feet wide, partly on public land but for the most part on land of the Development company. Fronting on the beach was ample area for the parking of thousands of cars by which the Strandway could be made a real and attractive resort for the people of Greater Boston. It supplied a continuous waterfront construction from Wood Island park almost to the Winthrop line. Mr. McDonald explained that by the selection of that location the company would consider making a proposition under which the enterprise could be carried through for the amount of the appropriation. Mr. Long had said that the interior road plan, providing for no beach and no parking space, would cost in excess of the appropriation, for construction purposes only.

McDonald Stresses a Point

Mr. McDonald made it very plain that the Development company would not stand for any further emasculation of its property rights nor of its own plan of port development without adequate compensation. When asked by Mayor Curley what the company would ask for the million feet of its land required under the Park department plan, he replied that the State paid the company for similar land, originally taken by eminent domain for seaport purposes, but now temporarily leased to the airport, 18 cents a foot. Mayor Curley thought the company should part with its land for five cents a foot, the approximate valuation thereof for tax purposes, and urged Mr. McDonald to consider that price, which the city would then try to take care of.

Plan for Development of Flats

It was then Mr. McDonald brought into view another plan of development for the flats which contemplates the use of the entire area for piers and railway connections, fronting on a deep water turning basin. He seems to be convinced that East Boston must be a great shipping and railway terminal in the not distant future. If the area acquired twenty years ago for a marine port is now to be used as an airport, he knew of no other way to bring the balance of the company land into development except by the creation of piers and warehouses on its own land. For navigation purposes to the main harbor channel, the picture showed a channel running on either one side or the other of Governor's island. To some of those present, this possibility so often referred to in the columns of the Argus-Advocate, was most acceptable. To others, the picture of piers and warehouses in East Boston was horrible indeed, and their disgust was openly registered.

Congressman Douglass Speaks

Congressman Douglass, being a lawyer, understood that this area of flats, 1600 feet out from the upland, was private property for which its owners had good right to plan a proper development for the benefit of the whole community, but he was quick to raise the question of the demand for an improvement of this sort. The Congressman asked Mr. McDonald why the waterfront on Border St. was not used for shipping purposes. Mr. McDonald replied that the locality was too congested for a modern port development and besides it had no railway connection. If the Congressman had pressed the subject further Mr. McDonald said he would have pointed out that East Boston agitators and politicians objected 20 years ago or so to railway tracks on Border St. Their objections having weight, no railroad was permitted, and from that day to this, the wharves of the Border St. waterfront have been rotting down with no one to buy them or hire them at any price, and the streets are growing up to grass.

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lic property and parks department are on a five-day basis, while many of the tradesmen, who have been working a five-day week for several years, are employed now only four days weekly. There are certain municipal office employes who get a full week's wage for five days of service.

Any further extension of the five-day week idea among the local municipal employes in the near future seems unlikely. In view of the current municipal financial situation and the uncertain outlook for the future, it seems particularly improbable that any plan will be broached, much less adopted, which carries with it the possibility of increasing the weight of taxation on shoulders already overburdened.

GARDNER NEWS 9/11/31

CURLEY FOR CONNECTICUT PLAN AND DEMERIT SYSTEM TO REPLACE COMPULSORY LAW

Boston Mayor Would Combine Best Features and Do Away with Statute Now Operative—Makes Proposal at Public Hearing—Only Hope in Special Session

BOSTON, Sept. 11 (AP)—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston today announced his support of a combination of the Connecticut Financial responsibility law and the demerit system to replace Massachusetts' compulsory automobile insurance law.

Almost 400 persons crowded the auditorium to protest against the 1932 rates which were tentatively set a week ago and which because of a general increase of 11 per cent brought protests from all sides.

Curley's remarks were important as he recently held a conference with mayors and selectmen of most of the state's cities and towns at which the law and means of remedying it were discussed. The hearing opened with a discussion as to who should be heard first, the people or the insurance companies. Merton L. Brown, commissioner, ruled in favor of the people and Samuel F. Jaffe, counsel for Worcester taxicab interests, had just launched his protests when the entrance of the Boston mayor interrupted him.

Curley said he appreciated that the meetings would gain little other than the opportunity for the voicing of sentiment. He said the only hope was in the special session of the legislature which Governor Joseph B. Ely has called for Sept. 28.

CAMBRIDGE CHRONICLE 9/11/31

Quips and Quirks

The politicans can thank Mayor Curley, of Boston, for providing them with a brand new peg on which to hang their hats as they enter upon another municipal campaign. The Cambridge city council Tuesday night requested Mayor Russell to put the plan in operation. We wonder what the mayor's reaction will be to this proposition, especially since it was sponsored by Councillor Delaney.

NO. ATTLEBORO CHRONICLE 9/11/31

CURLEY-ELY-FULLER

IT is apparent to political observers that there is more or less political ambition directed in the present controversy over the automobile insurance rates. The Hon. James Curley is undoubtedly seeking the Democratic nomation for Governor next year. Governor Ely wants a re-election. And Ex-Governor Alvan T. Fuller may be the man who will redeem the State for the Republicans.

WOBURN TIMES 9/11/31

CURLEY COMMENDS ELY ON EXTRA SESSION PLAN

Mayor Curley late Wednesday made this comment on the decision of Gov. Ely to call a special session of the Legislature to consider compulsory automobile insurance:

"The action of the Governor is most commendable and I am quite certain will be very pleasing to every mayor and every chairman of a board of selectmen who attended the conference at City Hall today to consider the insurance rate problem."

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 9/11/31

SPECIAL SESSION OPENS SEPT. 28; RATES DEFERRED

Ely Calls Legislature to Consider Automobile Insurance as Brown Decides to Delay Promulgating Rates.

CURLEY SPEEDS WORK OF DRAFTING MEASURE

Calls Conference of City and Town Solicitors to Draw up Bill to Go Before General Court—Goodwin Assails Companies Issuing Insurance.

BOSTON, Sept. 10, (AP).—Governor Joseph B. Ely today issued a call for a special session of the legislature, to begin Sept. 28, to consider the state's compulsory automobile insurance law. The date is tentative because it lacks the approval of President Gaspar Bacon of the Senate, who is in Europe. Leverett Saltonstall, speaker of the House, approved of the date.

Announcement of the tentative schedule of rates for automobile insurance for 1932 brought protests from all parts of the state because of a general increase of 11 per cent. In recent radio addresses, Governor Ely suggested several remedies and announced he would call a special session to consider them.

Public Hearing Today.

Merton L. Brown, commissioner of insurance, announced today he will withhold final promulgation of the rates for 1932 until the special session of the legislature has taken action. He will hold a public hearing on the rates tomorrow at the State House.

Meanwhile, in accordance with the action of a meeting [illegible]

EAST BOSTON ARGUS 9/11/31

CURLEY TALKS SENSE AT LABOR MEETING

Hits at Machine Age and Advances Opinions Offered by Argus-Advocate. A Fine Address

Speaking before one of the largest Labor day gatherings ever to assemble at the Boston Common, Mayor Curley struck a popular chord with East Boston people Monday morning when he openly condemned the machine age and advocated a five-day week. This year's labor meeting meant vastly more to the average person than those of the past, as was manifested by the big crowd on hand. The people realized that here was a chance to hear some of the best minds in the state speak their opinions on what was wrong and what steps were needed to help matters. For every person present at the common, it is safe to add that there were four listening to the addresses as they resounded through the radio.

Curley for Five-Day Week

Without beating around the bush, Mayor Curley advanced his views on the unemployment situation which faces our country today. His idea of a five-day week, starting January next, should have a far-reaching effect on conditions. There can be no doubt but that it will prove helpful. Should other cities and towns fall in line, and the idea spread to other parts of the country, there is no telling what the final result would be. This much seems certain, however, and that is that thousands of people, who are without jobs at the present time, would be employed, and that more money would be put into circulation. Whether or not the wages of people now working would be cut to any appreciable extent remains a matter for discussion, the big point being that more people would be employed. The idea of a five-day week hinges around the fact that in order to produce the same quantity of work over the shortened period, it would be necessary to take on additional help. Such an idea would be welcomed with open arms in a community such as East Boston, where the real working man is to be found.

Hits at Machine Age

Mayor Curley also took the opportunity to say something on the machine age, which was right to the point and quite logical. It was particularly interesting to East Bostonians because the Argus-Advocate in its issue of August 28th, editorially commented on the machine age, without any knowledge that the mayor was to speak on the same subject. This is a major problem, which must be faced and discussed sooner or later. In some respects and in certain branches of industry, machines have been a helpful addition, but there is such a thing as carrying it too far, and this country seems to be all too rapidly approaching that stage.

What the Mayor Thinks

In his fine address, Mayor Curley said in part:

"To assure the workers for the city of Boston the positions they now have, which otherwise might be wiped out by inventive genius, I will put into effect on Jan. 1 next, the five-day week for all employes other than those of the institutions, Fire and Police Departments.

"I hope the example set by the city," he continued, "will be generally accepted by every other community in America. There is no other answer if the inventive genius of the American Nation robs the people of America of 3,000,000 opportunities for a livelihood in 10 years and if, as the economists state, in the next 10 years 4,000,000 more opportunities vanish.

"There is only one answer and that is the adoption of the five-day week. Increase the number of employes by 16 percent and you offset the vanishing job.

"The five-day week is here and we are going to institute it in Boston in January, and we hope the example set by the city will be generally accepted by every other community in America.

Steam Shovel Ousts 1,000,000

"Take the steam shovel, rather a simple looking invention; most of us get our exercise from watching it operate. In 10 years it has displaced more than 1,000,000 men— this displacement by one type of machine alone. How about your office machines, your tabulating machines of every character, with more than 500,000 more displaced by them?

"Pres. Gifford of the Telephone Company has been placed at the head of another commission created by President Hoover to devise ways and means of saving the people of this country from starvation during the coming Winter by conversation.

"What has the Telephone Company done? They have displaced more people from employment than any other single company in America. They have put in an automatic device which makes a telephone operator out of every person who has a telephone in his home or place of business. You do the dialing and the work.

"Down in Wianno they have an experimental station and not a single person is employed there. It is locked up. It is automatic and it takes care of the entire telephone system of that section. Every time they put a dial system in an exchange, 60 percent of the girls are displaced and, if they keep on, through their inventive genius, the time will come when no one will work but the machine."

NORWOOD MESSENGER 9/22/31

Norwood Firemen at Lynn Convention

Firemen Warland Goodrich and John Collins are attending the 52nd annual convention of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association to be held in Lynn today, Wednesday and Thursday, with sessions at the New Ocean House in Swampscott.

Chief Edward E. Chase, of Lynn, and Chief James Warnock of Swampscott, will act as hosts to the convention. President James S. Keon, deputy chief of the Salem fire department, will open the first session at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon.

There will be addresses of welcome by Mayor J. Fred Manning, of Lynn; Timothy Curtin, president of the Lynn city council; Senator William F. Shanahan, and R. Wyer Greene, chairman of the Swampscott board of selectmen.

At the Wednesday afternoon session the speakers will include Mayor James M. Curley, of Boston; Atty. Gen. Joseph E. Warner; State Fire Marshal John W. Reth; William H. O'Brien, of the department of public utilities; Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin, of Boston; Ex-Mayor Ralph S. Bauer, of Lynn; Peter E. Carr, Commissioner of Public Safety, Lawrence; Ex-Fire Commissioner Theodore A. Glynn of Boston; and W. E. Leighton, of the Bureau of Explosives. The annual memorial address will be given by the Rev. George W. Casey, of Swampscott.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 9/23/31

TEX GUINAN OFFERS AID TO JOBLESS

To Perform at Hub Garden Show—At Marlboro Tomorrow

BOSTON, Sept. 26 (AP)—Texas Guinan and her show will appear in the Boston Garden for the benefit of the unemployed under an agreement accepted by Mayor James M. Curley, tonight.

The night club entertainer and her show, barred in France some months ago, and in Waltham, last night, have agreed to appear gratis. The management of the Boston Garden has offered the use of the auditorium free of charge and all that remains is for a date to be determined upon.

MARLBORO, Sept. 22.—Marlboro officials announced tonight that Texas Guinan, Broadway night-club owner, would be allowed to perform in this city, Thursday night. Mayor Martel had withheld approval pending more information about her show.

9/11/31
NEW BEDFORD STANDARD

CURLEY SAYS CLUB USED

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BROCKTON TIMES 9/11/31

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LOWELL SUN 10/1/31

Avert Strike of Longshoremen

BOSTON, Oct. 1 (AP)—The danger of a strike of longshoremen along Boston's waterfront was averted today by an agreement between the shippers and local members of the Longshoremen's union to retain the present wage scale until the arrival of the president of the union from New York.

The agreement was reached a short time after representatives of the workers and steamship companies had conferred with Governor Joseph B. Ely at the state house and with Mayor James M. Curley at the city hall. The governor offered to act as intermediary and after conferring with the mayor the workers went to the governor's office.

After the meeting the workers communicated with Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's association, in New York and he said he would come here as soon as possible.

The agreement means the workers will stay at work at 85' cents an hour with $1.25 for overtime and will retain their double pay privilege for working during meal hours. This arrangement will remain in effect only until Ryan has had an opportunity to begin negotiations with the shippers.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 10/1/31

Seek to Avert Strike on Docks

Curley and Ely Call Conference of Workers, Steamship Concerns.

BOSTON, Oct. 1—(AP) In an effort to avert a threatened general strike of dock workers, which it was feared might tie up the port of Boston, Mayor James M. Curley and Gov. Joseph B. Ely today summoned leaders of the Longshoremen's Union and steamship representatives into conference.

A meeting of union and steamship representatives already was in progress to consider the longshoremen's demands when word was received that Mayor Curley wished to participate in the conference. The conferees then adjourned to City Hall, but the meeting scarcely had been resumed when Gov. Ely advised that he would be willing to act as an intermediary. Representatives of the opposing factions and the Mayor thereupon adjourned to the Governor's office at the State House.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 10/1/31

MAYOR CURLEY PRESENTS CHECK

Mayor Curley yesterday turned over to the city public welfare department for the relief of the poor and jobless this winter a check for $22,291, representing the proceeds of the charity ball game staged last week at Braves field by the Red Sox and Braves.

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Turns Down Idea Of Charity Games

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NORTHAMPTON GAZETTE 9/11/31

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Boston Mayor Supports Connecticut Finanical and Responsibility Law Also

400 AT PUBLIC HEARING

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Chicopee Claims Discrimination

Mayor Henry L. Cloutier of Chicopee and Walter M. Shea, Chicopee city solicitor, charged the residents of their city were discriminated against in being removed from the Springfield district and termed the new rates "a rank injustice," Arthur Granfield protested for the Chicopee Chamber of Commerce.

Representatives William E. Kirkpatrick and Charles D. Chevalier of Holyoke, urged deferment of the final rates until after the meeting of the legislature.

Samuel Jaffe of Worcester, counsel for taxicab companies, said several companies would be driven out of business by the new rates. He charged the insurance department did not give sufficient attention to "the great many fake groundless and fraudulent charges."

E. BOSTON FREE PRESS 9/12/31

THANKS, MAYOR CURLEY

Mayor Curley has ordered the owners of the land along the East Boston waterfront to remove the decaying hulks of ships which have long been a menace to the health of the children, women, and men of the district. The owners are given five days, on the advice of Corporation Counsel Silverman, to remove the hulks.

This is the beginning of the end of an agitation that was started in the columns of the Free Press, and to which we have given much space. Without Mayor Curley's assistance the matter could not be so quickly determined.

East Boston people are grateful to Mayor Curley.

NEWBURYPORT NEWS 9/12/31

GOUGING UNCLE SAM

What a gathering of the harpies will occur in December when the new Congress meets! The embattled farmers will be on hand for relief and a huge appropriation. The veterans threaten to ask for over two billions of that bonus which was vetoed by two patriotic presidents. Mayor Curley would like about five billions for the unemployed and the postal employes want a five day week with the same salary. A fortnight ago we saw the ominous spectacle of an assistant secretary of the treasury begging the Veterans of Foreign Wars not to embarrass the government by asking for the other half of the bonus. On Labor Day Postmaster Brown assumed the same ungraceful posture when he asked the national convention of letter carriers not to press their demand for a five day week with five and a half days' pay. These are strange and ominous days, my masters. Young workmen of a thrifty nature, saving money to make payments to the cooperative bank, should pay some attention to what is going on. The politicians will be mortgaging the White House next to provide funds to meet all these demands.

Postmaster General Brown reminded his hearers that wages in the postal service amounted to $600,000,000 annually while postal revenues had diminished over that amount. He rightfully pictured the lot of the postal employe in these days as a very happy one. The misfortunes of other men have reduced the cost of living 43 percent, according to Mr. Brown. This seems too high but if the decrease is only 15 percent, it in fact increases the value of the letter carrier's salary by that amount. The postal employe's lot is indeed a very happy one in these days and nobody begrudges him his good fortune. Yet it is hardly the time to add to the troubles of other people by demanding a five day week with five and a half days' pay. Yet that is the panacea which Mayor Curley adopts. Its absurdity is seen when we contemplate the spectacle of all of us working five days a week and getting the same salary. Where is the money coming from except by confiscating the savings of the thrifty?

Mr. Brown, trained at Harvard, under Professor Taussig in the political economy of John Stuart Mill, says that a five day week without curtailing compensation would lead to an artificial increase of commodity prices a diminished market for goods and a lessened need for labor.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 9/12/31

CURLEY GIVES FIFTH OF SALARY TO NEEDY

BOSTON, Sept. 11, (AP)—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston will give 20 per cent of his salary to the poor and jobless of the city. He instructed the city treasurer today to transfer to the Public Welfare department one-fifth of his salary each week. His contribution will amount to $4000 a year.

CONT'D LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 9/11/31

selectmen of Massachusetts cities cities and towns in this city yesterday, Mayor James M. Curley today set next Wednesday for a conference of solicitors to draft a bill to be presented to the forthcoming special session of the legislature.

Yesterday's gathering agreed that the formulation of a new bill be left to the solicitors, with a provision that the draft be approved by a committee composed of a solicitor from each county. Mayor Curley was authorized to fix the time of the conference.

Curley Calls Meeting Early.

When the mayors and selectmen met, they had not yet learned of Governor Joseph B. Ely's intention to summon the legislature in special session, and it was the plan at that time to present the proposed bill to the regular session. Mayor Curley, when he learned of the governor's intention of convening the legislature, decided to call the solicitors together considerably earlier than he had otherwise planned.

While these officials were acting, the controversy concerning the rates continued. Former-Registrar of Motor Vehicles Frank A. Goodwin declared in a radio address tonight that allegations of automobile insurance companies of $9,000,000 losses in 1930 was "pure bunkum" and that the legislature should promulgate by law immediately the 1931 insurance rates for 1932.

Would Check All 1930 Business.

He also said the legislature should provide for the appointment of a commisison with an adequate appropriation to investigate all the records of the 1930 business, including all claims, settlements and reserves.

"All this talk about the companies losing $9,000,000 since the law became effective is pure bunkum," Goodwin said. "Seventy-nine companies are struggling to get this unprofitable business. On their own figures, out of the $21,374,000 received from the car owners the companies paid $2,993,000 for getting the business. Just think of it!

"In order to show more specifically the absurdity of this claim that they have lost money, some of the mutuals have paid dividends of 20 per cent each year, including 1930, so what excuse is there here for raising the rates? None of these 79 companies are compelled to handle this losing business and I am sure that if the legislature will refuse to raise the rates suggested by Commissioner Brown, none of the companies will quit.

Agrees With Fuller's Diagnosis.

"Of course, everyone knows that I am not particularly friendly with former-Governor Fuller, but I must admit that he put his finger on the sore spot when he placed the blame on crooked and exaggerated claims, and on crooked doctors, lawyers and claimants.

"If we have crooked doctors and crooked lawyers, is it not fair to assume that we may have a few crooked insurance men? Mr. Brown says the companies received $21,374,000 in 1930. I believe they received nearer $24,000,000, having in mind the premiums received in 1927 and the increased registration and two rate increases since then."

Slowey Might Vote to Abolish Law.

Representative Charles H. Slowey announced yesterday that he is thoroughly in favor of Governor Joseph B. Ely's decision to have a special session of the legislature to act upon the automobile insurance law. He said that if a suitable, thoroughly equitable solution of the problem is not offered, he will favor the abolition of the compulsory insurance law.

According to Representative Slowey, the present system of insurance, with extremely high rates in the larger communities, is not fair to the automobile industry or to the automobile-using public.

In the opinion of Representative Slowey, between 90 and 95 per cent of the automobile owners of this commonwealth have been sufficiently educated in the matter of insurance, to realize its good and to carry adequate insurance to protect both themselves and the general public, even though there was no law requiring it.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 9/11/31

THE FIVE-DAY WEEK.

Past experience has shown that improvements in labor conditions, particularly with regard to working hours, have quite generally been initiated in the public service, and have eventually been adopted to a considerable extent in industry. It therefore seems probable that Mayor Curley's decision to introduce the five-day week in Boston is in line with a current tendency on the part of officials to regard favorably the view of the labor leaders that a universal cutting-down of hours of labor would contribute materially to the solution of the problems attending the machine age.

Possibly this view is correct, but it should not be accepted without a clear understanding of what fewer hours of work are to mean. We may leave out of the question any plan for securing free Saturdays by lengthening the other working days, and assume that the aim is to establish a 40-hour week. If this should be done, with a proportionate decrease of weekly pay, presumably the effect would be to distribute employment more evenly and relieve much acute distress. This is not, however, what labor is asking. It wants fewer hours of work—but at the same weekly rate. As a matter of fact in many occupations wages are already so near to the bare cost of living that they cannot well be reduced, even for the sake of securing more leisure for the workers and a better distribution of jobs.

From the earliest period of the campaign for shorter hours of labor, it has been evident that the work accomplished has not decreased in full proportion to the reduction in working time. An ordinary man can do more than five-sixths as much work in 10 hours as he can do in 12, and more than four-fifths the work in eight hours that he can do in 10. That rule, however, might not apply indefinitely and it is possible that about as much can be accomplished per hour in a 48-hour week as in one of 40 hours. Of course any speeding-up to compensate for the shorter labor period diminishes the benefits to be expected from the employment of a greater number of workers. On the other hand, if fully proportionate speeding-up could be accomplished, there would be no need of reducing the weekly wage.

Of course if the five-day week is to be granted with no decrease in weekly pay and with no material increase of hourly production, the proposal, from the owners' viewpoint is to all intents and purposes a call for an increase in wages. Just at present that is not within the power of all, or indeed of most, industries to grant. Some have been absolutely forced to reduce, and others may be obliged to follow.

For the smaller units of industry, both those independently owned and those which are run as parts of consolidations, the question of "overhead" comes in. That is proportionally larger when the factories are run only five days in the week instead of six. Where several hundred operatives are employed, probably the "stagger system" could be used so as to keep the mills running Saturdays and give a different free time to those who work on that day. That could not be done in the small establishments.

If it is a basic fact—and we believe it may be—that the resources of the country and the total earning capacity of all its employable men and women are sufficient properly apportioned to give everybody a decent living with 40 hours' work each week, then the five-day week ought to come. Yet it is quite evident that the practical obstacles to putting it into effect at once are formidable, and that progress must necessarily be slow, just as all other gains for labor have been obtained by degrees rather than by any revolutionary movements. At least it may be said that a time when capital as well as labor is in many quarters suffering acutely is not one for the introduction of sweeping reforms, desirable as it may be that these should come eventually.

CLINTON ITEM 9/11/31

MAYOR CURLEY COMING TO ADDRESS VETERANS

Co. K. Associates Also Learn of Sending of Battalion of 101st To Participate in Saturday Parade

ROSTER OF PARADE — LINE OF MARCH

The program for the celebration here Saturday of St. Mihiel Day by the 101st Infantry association is now complete. Every detail has been worked out to the satisfaction of the committees and a glorious day is in prospect for every one who visits Clinton. All are desirous of fair weather which is all that remains to give Clinton one of the greatest festivals days in its history.

Co. K headquarters was notified by telegram from Boston last night that another wonderful feature had been secured for the parade. At a meeting of the governor's council it was voted to appropriate enough money to cover the expense of sending an entire battalion of the 101st Infantry to Clinton to take part in the parade. This battalion will be in charge of Col. Arthur Desmond and will arrive by bus from Boston promptly at 2:30 o'clock.

Another feature secured Wednesday in Boston was the positive assurance of Mayor James M. Curley that he will come here to address the veterans directly after the regimental meeting in the Town hall. The mayor will arrive in Clinton sharply at noon and the general public is cordially invited to be present to hear his address.

MILFORD NEWS 9/11/31

CURLEY PLEADS FOR NEW INSURANCE PLAN

Boston, Sept. 11—A plea for Massachusetts to adopt a combination of the financial responsibility law and a demerit system in the place of the present compulsory automobile insurance rate was made today by Mayor James M. Curley before more than 600 persons in Gardner auditorium, when Insurance Commissioner Merton L. Brown opened hearings on the proposed 1932 rates.

Samuel Jaffee, of Worcester, representing taxi companies and associations in Worcester, entered a protest against the tremendous insurance increases levied against taxis.

"The proposed rates," he said, "would drive many operators out of business." He also attacked fake claims as the real reason for the high rates. Former Judge Frederick Chase, representing 45 insurance companies, prepared to introduce sworn testimony in behalf of the insurance companies.

Protests were entered, however, that the people should be heard first, and Judge Chase retired in their favor.

LOWELL SUN 9/11/31

Curley Leads Auto Rate War At State House Public Hearing

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BOSTON ARGUS-ADVOCATE 9/11/31

Hearing Crowd Rather Small

Although an attempt was made to secure a crowd of three hundred at the hearing at City hall, only about 100 persons were present. Mayor Curley looked them over and said he saw seven or eight candidates for office whose views were well known and he desired to hear from those, not candidates, who favored, or opposed, the Park department plan.

The Mayor therefore cut the oratory short and would not permit stump speeches from anyone. Several essayed in that line but the Mayor broke in and asked them to voice their opinions one way or another on the plans before them. Most of the speaking was for the Park department plan, but several spoke against it, mainly because it did not provide a beach or real strandway.

Exceeds the Appropriation

Finally the Mayor showed that according to the figures presented, the Strandway would cost more than the appropriation; that to get an additional appropriation it would be necessary to go to the legislature. He urged that concessions be made on all sides. He took the floor in front of the Port Development plan and there in the hearing of the group that gathered around he tried to bring Mr. McDonald into line so that the deal could go through with the present appropriation. Mr. McDonald finally consented to have drawn, a second compromise plan, embodying some suggestions of the Mayor, and it is quite likely that when this is made and looked over, a decision can be made whether or not East Boston is to have the Strandway this year or any other year.

MILFORD NEWS 9/11/31

Invite Solicitor to Attend Hub Meeting

The Selectmen have been asked by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, through Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman to have Town Solicitor Alfred B. Cenedella attend a meeting of town and city solicitors in City hall, Boston, Sept. 16 to select representatives for each county to frame legislation to remedy the present compulsory automobile insurance law.

Recently a meeting of mayors and selectmen of the towns and cities of the state met at Boston and voted unanimously to ask Gov. Ely to call a special session of the legislature.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 9/11/31

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BOSTON ARGUS-ADVOCATE 9/11/31

Hearing Crowd Rather Small

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The Mayor therefore cut the oratory short and would not permit stump speeches from anyone. Several essayed in that line but the Mayor broke in and asked them to voice their opinions one way or another on the plans before them. Most of the speaking was for the Park department plan, but several spoke against it, mainly because it did not provide a beach or real strandway.

Exceeds the Appropriation

Finally the Mayor showed that according to the figures presented, the Strandway would cost more than the appropriation; that to get an additional appropriation it would be necessary to go to the legislature. He urged that concessions be made on all sides. He took the floor in front of the Port Development plan and there in the hearing of the group that gathered around he tried to bring Mr. McDonald into line so that the deal could go through with the present appropriation. Mr. McDonald finally consented to have drawn, a second compromise plan, embodying some suggestions of the Mayor, and it is quite likely that when this is made and looked over, a decision can be made whether or not East Boston is to have the Strandway this year or any other year.

MILFORD NEWS 9/11/31

Invite Solicitor to Attend Hub Meeting

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LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 9/11/31

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A marked revulsion of attitude toward this man has passed over Boston during his present mayoraity, for a number of reasons. Some who have been the first to berate him now assert, enthusiastically, that Boston is the best governed city in the country. They endorse him, from Alpha to Omega, without limitation or qualification. Again a change of atmosphere in strange quarters is manifest. Such of the Beaconese and purified as gatehr at the Odd Volume Club, the Boston Atheneum, the Massachusetts Historical Society and the churches about Copley Sq., who wash, not as a religious rite on Saturday night but for fun and unnecessarily, are now wondering whether they have been wrong in their at-

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titude toward this man, and, more than this, many who came to scoff have remained to pray. And yet, when some read the posters which were spread over Boston in the last municipal campaign: "Boston needs Curley," they revised these words to read: "Curley needs Boston." No man hereabouts has invited more savage attack. When Jim is the issue, cautious maids move their perambulators into the side-streets, and anemic men crawl up into the tree tops.

In him are all the dangers of the electric current, which when harnessed drives the trolley but which when in storms it runs amuck wounds and destroys. He is a political product which, if properly developed, could sit anywhere politically. Will he respond? This those who stand by him ask, and hope that he will measure up to the confidence of the best. He is a political bison whom the virile admire and yet fear.

There is no doubt in this wide bay state, but that Mayor Curley of Boston is going to be a most formidable candidate for governor in 1932. His latest speech delivered Labor Day in old time Curley fashion sees the Boston mayor courageously setting the pace for a 5 day week by his intention of putting Boston municipal employees on such a schedule so as more men may be employed. It is the only way of competing with the inventive genius of the country which makes the country produce as much in six months as it can consume in a year.

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CURLEY STRONG FOR ROOSEVELT

Boston Mayor Comes Out In Open For Roosevelt for President While Ely, Walsh and Others Do a Pussy-foot, Until They See Who's Who.—Ely Hides Under Al Smith's Camisole.

Mayor James M. Curley, always a leader, always ready to take a stand in the front line on matters of public thought and betterment, as well as political, has come to the forefront as the New England sponsor of a Roosevelt for president drive. Curley believes that Roosevelt is the man best equipped to snatch the national honor from President Hoover and says so in no uncertain manner. Curley is always in the open, and is now in the open for Roosevelt and will give the same stalwart support and impetus to the candidacy of Roosevelt as he did for Al Smith, when he carried Smith to victory in Massachusetts in 1928 while Walsh and the rest of the political big shots were interested in their own success and not caring a hoot whether Smith carried the state or not.

Unlike Walsh and Ely, Curley never ducks and sidesteps. Curley knows just as everyone else does that Al Smith can never make the pesidency. So does Walsh and Gov. Ely. But Ely and Walsh have failed to declare for Roosevelt. They want to send a Walsh pledged delegation to the National Convention so they can pussy-foot. And if they can't work it under the Walsh cognomen, they will try to get a Smith pledged delegation, knowing that Al will not really be in the running.

But Curley, the man of brains and vision knows that Roosevelt is the man. And he does not beat behind and around the bush. And he is powerful enough to sell Roosevelt to all of New England.

It takes a great man to stand out as Curley does. And only Curley can do it effectively. That's why he is the leader and most resourceful Democrat in New England, and ranks with the greatest in the country.

ATTLEBORO SUN 10/1/31

REFUSE RECEIPTS FOR CHARITY AID

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Boston, Oct. 1 (AP)—Mayor James M. Curley today announced that President A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard university had declined to donate a portion of the Harvard-Dartmouth football game receipts to an unemployment relief fund. President Lowell also refused to change the location of the West Point-Harvard game from West Point to New York city or Boston for unemployment relief purposes.

The suggestion that a portion of the Dartmouth game receipts be donated was made by Mayor Curley and Mayor James J. Walker of New York was sponsor of the West Point game suggestion.

Regarding the West Point game, Mayor Curley said President Lowell said he would not disturb the athletic schedule and also that such a move would appear to commercialize athletics.

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Mayor Cloutier Objects to His City Being Removed From Springfield Zone

ATTACKS ON LAW COME FROM MANY CITIES

Western Men Fight For Chance to Be Heard Early — Mayor Curley Comes Out For Connecticut Plan

From Our Special Reporter

Boston, Sept. 11 — Westerners, those virile men "from the sticks," started a battle at the public hearing today in Gardner auditorium at the State House before Insurance Commissioner Merton L. Brown on the proposed compulsory automobile insurance rates for 1932, and when the smoke cleared away, the westerners had their say first.

Commissioner Brown had stated, after a brief outline of the purposes of the hearing, that those from the western end of the state should be heard first as they had traveled farthest, and undoubtedly desired to get started home.

Western Men Get Their Chance

This was fine, and the westerners smiled in smug satisfaction at the recognition accorded them in the heart of the Bay state metropolis. But, before they could get their protest of the rates under way, some easterner jumped to his feet and charged the people are not being given a fair deal in these rates. He commended Gov Joseph B. Ely for calling the special legislative session and absolved Commissioner Brown from blame for the proposed increases. Someone else had his say and then Judge Frederic H. Chase, formerly of the superior court, representing 45 stock companies writing automobile insurance, attempted to put in the insurance companies' case ahead of the protestants. He was there to criticize the rates, he said, but until the present act is repealed or amended, the laws must be followed and observed. When he tried to call his first witness, Atty Samuel Silverman, corporation counsel for Boston, appealed to the commissioner for enforcement of his ruling that the westerners be heard first.

Coakley Protests

That was the cue for Representative Daniel J. Coakley of Chicopee, and he also contended it was unfair to permit the insurance companies to get in their case ahead of that the people proposed to produce.

"I think the people throughout the commonwealth who have come here should be heard first," Coakley contended. "These representatives of the insurance companies are getting paid to come here and they can come any time." Further, the Chicopee legislator pointed out, nobody knows what the Legislature is going to do and therefore the rates should be held up anyway. A round of applause greeted this statement.

Mayor Henry Cloutier of Chicopee and Secretary H. Kaplan of the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce also clamored to be heard at this point. Judge Chase interjected he was not present to uphold the rates, but to criticize them.

"I assumed that, Mr Chase," Commissioner Brown remarked, and the crowd laughed and applauded.

Senator Conde Brodbine of Revere then urged the people be heard first, saying the people are not on trial, but the insurance companies are. Commissioner Brown then ruled the people from Western Massachusetts would be heard first.

Mayor Cloutier Protests

Mayor Cloutier declared his city has been taken from the Springfield district and placed in zone 11. He protested the increase of $4 to $8 in this district, saying Chicopee motor owners feel they are being discriminated against. He protested vigorously on the part of his citizens the proposed increases. Chicopee, he went on, has a good safety record. He attacked the tentative rates as "rank injustices" and believed some remedy should be forthcoming from the Legislature.

The Chicopee Chamber of Commerce was placed on record as in opposition to the proposed rates by Arthur Granfield. Like Mayor Cloutier Granfield felt the people have been discriminated against in Chicopee by being taken from the Springfield district and will be up against it if the increases go into effect.

City Solicitor Shea Heard

City Solicitor Walter M. Shea of Chicopee supported the mayor's position. He contended all cities and towns of Hampden county should be in the same zone. He told of Chicopee's campaign last year to reduce accidents and said that in comparison to 238 persons injured in automobile accidents in 1929, there were 213 last year, while deaths dropped from nine in 1929 to four in 1930, and all of these four occurred in the last month of the year.

Holyoke's Protest

Representatives William E. Kirkpatrick and Charles D. Chevalier of Holyoke both protested the tentative rates and urged final promulgation be deferred until the Legislature has had a chance to act. Commissioner Brown had previously stated this course would be followed.

Samuel F. Jaffee, representing the Worcester independent taxicab operators, protested a 50 per cent increase for cabs in his city, whereas private cars will pay only about 11 per cent more. He contended the insurance department is not giving sufficient consideration to a great many "fake, groundless and fraudulent claims," particularly as most of them apply to taxicabs. He cited an example of these "wild claims," saying if five persons were in a cab in an accident and one got a scratch, a claim of $4000 to $5000 would be made, and the other four, only shaken up a bit, also would seek damages. These four claims, he said were not worth a nickel, yet all were given substantial sums by the company. He said some insurance companies are honest, others not so much so. He thought the companies' system of checking all right, except that it doesn't go far enough. If companies would put their foot down, many fake claims would disappear. "The companies haven't got the guts to fight

Chicopee Mayor Who Made Protest At New Auto Rates



HENRY CLOUTIER

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these fake claims," he asserted, "but they don't need guts because of the existing law. When you put a stop to this fraud, this graft, for it is a form of graft, and this racketeering for that is just what it is, it will not be necessary to increase the rates."

Mayor Curley Appears

Boston's hero, Mayor James Michael Curley, then made a late entrance, as is his custom at most affairs, and was accorded the usual applause. He was quickly recognized, as westerners do not count when the Boston chief executive wants to speak. He announced his support of a combination of the Connecticut financial responsibility law and a demerit rating system, as a substitute for the compulsory law, saying if the latter is continued it will "leave no hope for the pedestrians, the motorists and the commonwealth." This got more applause from the 400 present.

At the outset, Curley said he appreciated the fact that the hearing could do little except provide a chance for people to speak their minds. The only hope of the people is in the special session of the Legislature, which Gov Ely is to call, he said.

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Fight Against Fake Claims

Then he described the fight the city had made in 1929 against fake automobile injury claims, saying that after he displaced the police officer who usually investigated them, and put on a force of constables, one lawyer entered his office and withdrew 30 claims; another withdrew 17 claims, and in 1930, the total of claims was reduced by one-half. Unless some change is made in the existing conditions, motorists of limited means will be driven off the highways, no matter how safely they operate. He contended some system ought to be devised to drive the careless operators off, and added the Connecticut system seems good for motorists as well as pedestrians and the industry. Under a proper system, it would be possible to rule 50 per cent of the operators off the road without injuring anyone, he contended. The real error of the past has been the meek submission to the rates announced by the commissioners. The insurance interests which are complaining of insufficient earnings, organized an active lobby which operated between the time the rates were announced and the Legislature convened so that those who were vociferous in their opposition were clubbed into silence or given a ticket for a vacation which would keep them from the hearings, the mayor stated.

Then the mayor had his little joke. He told of the appointment of a city solicitors' committee to work with former Gov Alvan T. Fuller and former Registrar Frank A. Goodwin, in drafting some proposal to submit to the special legislative sitting. Fuller forced Goodwin's removal as registrar while he was governor and the pair haven't been on the best of terms since. Curley hoped his Legislature would be able to find a solution of the trouble.

Chelsea's Protest

When Curley had closed, the insurance companies again sought to get their case in, but Senators Brodbine and Whitfield Tuck of Winchester started another rumpus, which ended in a roar of cheers when Hyman Kaplan of the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce was accorded the floor. He told of Chelsea's campaign to reduce accidents, of its success, but said "all we got for our pains was a crack on the head." Chelsea's rates went up considerably in the tentative schedule. Senator Broadbine called attention to the thousands that visit Revere beach causing congestion of traffic that is conducive to accidents.

Atty Mark E. Sullivan advocated letting insurance companies select their risks, saying no demerit system would be necessary then. He would have a state board pass on all claims, thus discouraging fake claims. Representative John W. MacLeod of Chelsea stated insurance companies are not justified in settling many of the claims; that they should fight them out.

Tuck of Winchester managed to get recognized next ahead of several plain citizens and also several legislators. He urged the people to go home and tell their legislators to work for the people at the special legislative session and not the corporations, "or they'll stay home after the next election."

"Atta boy, Tuck!" cried the gallery and the remarks met applause.

After several others had spoken, Commissioner Brown asked for show of opposition and most of those present so recorded, including Councilor Chester I. Campbell of Quincy, who presented a protest of the rates signed by 3000, and numerous legislators.

Representative C. F. Nelson Pratt of Saugus praised Gov Ely for his intention to call a special legislative session, but criticiszed him for failure to hold the last Legislature until something had been done, saying he had no right to criticize former Gov Allen for something he, himself, had failed to do. Pratt called the insurance companies "a bunch of racketeers."

Mayor J. Fred Manning of Lynn would be summoned before the rules committee of the Legislature to prove his declaration "that all one has to do to be a candidate for the Legislature nowadays is to visit the offices of a certain political leader at Boston, who is tied up with the insurance companies, and draw $300 for campaign expenses," under terms of an order to be filed by a group of House members. The order was circulated at the consclusion of the morning rate hearing.

Would Abolish Zone System

Senator Joseph Finnegan of Dorchester, at the resumption of the hearing in the afternoon, advocated abolition of the zone system on the ground that accidents may happen to machines at any point in the state. He contended an opinion of the supreme court holds that splitting the state into zones is not mandatory. Various persons offered points in opposition, among them representatives of the independent taxicab drivers of Boston, whose premium would be raised from $275 to $360 yearly under the proposed rates. Some would be forced out of business, the commissioner was told. The deductible policy idea was also suggested as a solution of the problem.

The position of private companies dealing in the insurance was defended by Judge Frederic Chase, representing 43 of the stock companies doing business in the state. He charged that the inadequacy of the rates set by the insurance companies had brought about large losses to the companies.

Figures introduced by William Magoun at the suggestion of Judge Chase purported to show that the excess of losses and expenses over the premiums secured on private and commercial cars in the four-year period from 1927 to 1930 were $10,544,000.

Judge Chase in his arguments, intimated that if the commissioner failed to raise the rates, the insurance companies which he represented would take the case to the courts.

Senator James E. Warren of Law-

GLOUCESTER TIMES 9/12/31

GOUGING UNCLE SAM

What a gathering of the harpies will occur in December when the new Congress meets! The embattled farmers will be on hand for relief and a huge appropriation. The veterans threaten to ask for over two billions of that bonus which was vetoed by two patriotic presidents. Mayor Curley would like about five billions for the unemployed and the postal employees want a five-day week with the same salary. A fortnight ago we saw the ominous spectacle of an assistant secretary of the treasury begging the veterans of foreign wars not to embarrass the government by asking for the other half of the bonus. On Labor Day Postmaster Brown assummed the same ungraceful posture when he asked the national convention of letter carriers not to press their demand for a five-day week with five and a half days' pay. These are strange and ominous days, my masters. Young workmen of a thrifty nature saving money to make payments to the cooperative bank, should pay some attention to what is going on. The politicians will be mortgaging the White House next to provide funds to meet all these demands.

Postmaster General Brown reminded his hearers that wages in the postal service amounted to $600,000,000 annually, while postal revenues had diminished over that amount. He rightfully pictured the lot of the postal employe in these days as a very happy one. The misfortunes of other men have reduced the cost of living 43 per cent according to Mr. Brown. This seems too high, but if the decrease is only 15 per cent, it in fact increases the value of the letter carriers' salary by that amount. The postal employe's lot is indeed a very happy one in these days, and nobody begrudges him his good fortune. Yet it is hardly the time to add to the troubles of other people by demanding a five day week with five and a half days' pay. Yet that is the panacea which Mayor Curley adopts. Its absurdity is seen when we contemplate the spectacle of all of us working five days a week, and getting the same salary. Where is the money coming from except by confiscating the savings of the thrifty?

Mr. Brown, trained at Harvard under Professor Taussig in the political economy of John Stuart Mill, says that a five day week without curtailing compensation would lead to an artificial increase in commodity prices, a diminished market for goods [illegible]

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 9/12/31

Fighting New Insurance Rates



International Newsreel Photo

Left to right, Mayor Andrew Cassassa of Revere, Mayor Larkin of Medford and Mayor Murphy of Somerville, shown as they attended the meeting at Boston City hall called by Mayor Curley of Boston, to fight the new insurance rate jumps as introduced by Commissioner Brown.

INSURANCE HEARING ATTRACTS LOUDEST PROTEST SINCE 1927

Heads of Firms Declare Rates Too Low—"Excessive," Reply Autoists as 400 Jam Hall for 10-Hour Session

Judge Chase Asserts Companies Must Lose Money—Worcester Cabmen's Counsel Says Taxis Will Be Driven Out of Business, Stresses False Claims—Curley Charges Opposition "Clubbed"

By JAMES H. GUILFOYLE

BOSTON, Sept. 11.—The proposed 1932 rates for compulsory motor vehicle insurance brought the greatest protest at a public hearing before Insurance Commissioner Merton L. Brown today since the system was established in 1927. The owners protested because the rates were too high and the insurance companies because they weren't high enough.

The preponderance of complaint was from Boston and vicinity. Suggestions advanced for remedying the situation [illegible] demerit rating, revision of zones and plans for riding the highways of careless drivers.

400 at 10-Hour Session

Judge Frederic H. Chase, formerly on the Superior court bench, presented a staunch defense of the insurance companies and gave statistics which, he asserted, proved the rates are not sufficient to enable the insurance companies to write this kind of insurance without loss.

Despite the fact that Governor Ely has ordered the insurance commissioner to withhold promulgation of the 1932 rates pending a special session of the Legislature, more than 400 persons crowded into the Gardner auditorium and remained for the 10 hours of hearing.

Because of the length of Judge Chase's argument, Commissioner Brown adjourned the hearing for supper and an evening session was held.

Under the law the insurance commissioner is required to hold a public hearing before promulgation of rates. Although the Legislature may change the situation it was decided to proceed with the hearing so that the commissioner will be in a position to promulgate the rates if no other action is taken.

Worcester Solons on Hand

The hearing was considered an opportunity for legislators and city officials to place their constituents on record in protest and at the same time impress their supporters with the fact that they were on the job. It also enabled many to get their own solution of the problem before the public.

Representatives Edward J. Kelley, Charles A. Kelley, Anthony R. Doyle and Joseph W. Leyden, all of Worcester, and Sen. Christian Nelson of Worcester went on record in protest.

Samuel F. Jaffee, counsel for Worcester Taxicab interests, was interrupted in his discou[illegible] when Mayor Curley entered and set the gathering applauding.

Mr. Jaffee represented the Worces-

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ter Independent Taxi Operators and the Yellow Taxi Cab Co. of Worcester. Although the average increase in rates proposed for all cars is about 11 per cent he said that in Worcester the taxicab owners would pay 50 per cent more.

"Out of Business"

Mr. Jaffee said the increase will drive many taxicabs out of business. He said the insurance department had not given sufficient consideration to the great many "fake, fraudulent and groundless claims." He said the wildest claims are made against taxi owners.

"I think," Mr. Jaffee continued, "there are some honest insurance companies but there are others who are not as honest as they might be. The trouble lies in the knowledge that whatever the companies may pay out is used in getting higher rates.

"If the companies put their foot down. If they even put it where it belongs, many of the false claims would disappear. But they don't because of the existing law. It isn't fair to require the taxi owners to pay for fake and groundless claims. When you put a stop to this graft, for it is a form of graft, and this racketeering, it will not be necessary to increase the rates."

Chase's Stand

Judge Chase said rates under the present system were started too low and the increases have not kept pace with the losses. He then made this declaration:

"We believe we have a case upon which in any court of law we are entitled to prevail. The overwhelming preponderance of the evidence is with us. Clamor and popular feeling may be against us, but all the more reason why our evidence and claims should be carefully, conscientiously and calmly considered, that we may get a result which is based on the law, the facts and nothing else."

Mayor Curley announced his support of a plan which would combine the Connecticut financial responsibility law and a demerit rating system. He said 50 per cent of the operators could be ruled off the roads, without injuring anyone.

Charges "Clubbing"

"The real error," he continued, which we have made in the past, is to submit to the rates announced. We have come here and protested and we have vigorously denounced you, but the Legislature did not convene until the following January. And these interests which are complaining of insufficient earnings organized an active lobby which operated between the time the rates were announced and the Legislature convened so that those who were vociferous in their opposition were clubbed into silence or given a ticket for a vacation which would keep them from the hearings."

H. F. Stoddard, manager of the Boston Automobile club, placed his organization on record in opposition.

Chicopee Protests

Mayor Henry Cloutier of Chicopee said his city was being discriminated against. Arthur Granfield placed the Chicopee Chamber of Commerce on record in opposition and Walter M. Shea, the Chicopee city solicitor, contended the insurance commissioner erred in taking Chicopee from the zone in which it formerly was located.

Holyoke legislators supported these views.

Chelsea's protest came from Hyman Kaplan, representing the Chamber of Commerce, who told of the splendid campaign to reduce accidents in that city with the result that all we have got for our pains is a knock on the head.

Other protests from Chelsea was voiced by Mayor John J. Whalen and Sen. Conde Bradbine.

Point Out Profits

E. Mark Sullivan, former corporation counsel for Boston, felt that if insurance companies were permitted to select their own risks there would be no need of a demerit system.

One speaker said Revere got a 28 per cent increase although the insurance companies made a profit of $42,000 in that city.

Chester I. Campbell presented a protest of automobile dealers.

Rep. C. F. Nelson Pratt of Saugus favored first a state fund, second a demerit system and third, a flat rate.

Former Rep. Bernard Ginzburg of Dorchester favored abolition of the zone system, and this met the approval of Sen. Joseph Finnegan of Dorchester.

More Plans, Questions

Marshall W. Hunt of Lynn Chamber of Commerce questioned the figures on which the rates for his city were based.

Representatives of the independent taxicab drivers of Boston declared that if their premiums are increased from $275 to $360 yearly it will not be possible for them to continue business.

Day Baker, representing the Massachusetts Automobile and Garage Dealers' association, favored the deductible policy.

That the inadequacy in the rates set by the insurance commission has brought about large losses to the companies was the initial contention of Judge Chase in criticizing the rates.

The excess of losses and expenses over the premiums secured on private passenger cars and commercial cars in the four-year period, 1927 to 1930 inclusive, were, according to data submitted by William Magoun of the Massachusetts Rating Bureau, $10,544,000. The figures for the years were given in detail as were the workings of the rating bureau.

WOR. GAZETTE 9/12/31

Wasting the Public Money

Boston continues to fume at Mayor Curley's scheme for putting city employes on a five-day week. The project justifies the hostility it is creating. If President Thomas J. Cudmore of the Massachusetts Real Estate Owners Association is right on his figures, 2000 additional workers will be added to the city's pay rolls at $25 apiece weekly.

On a yearly basis, this works out to a total of $2,500,000 of the tax payers' money, with an increase estimated at $1.50 in the Boston tax rate. Mr. Curley goes on the theory that it is better to give a man a job than to give him charity. That is a sound theory, if you can find a job or create a new one to give him.

The state created new jobs in its public construction work. But the state did not propose to pay six men to do the work which five men were doing. Mills and factories, obliged to cut employment, have divided their force into shifts so as to spread the work among as many employes as possible.

No one expects a factory to give a man six days' pay for three days' work. On that plan the "stagger" system would put the concern into bankruptcy, and it would have work for nobody except the receivers. Mayor Curley himself wouldn't venture to double the force in the city departments and double the labor cost of running them.

But the idea of paying six men to do five men's work means wasting the public money. There is never any justification for that. When it is proposed to have the waste run up to a couple of million dollars, the Boston taxpayers ought to find a way to prevent it.

WOR. TELEGRAM 9/12/31

101ST REUNION AT CLINTON TODAY

4000 Expected at Convention of YD Regiment

CLINTON, Sept. 11.—With more than 4000 World war veterans expected to attend, the stage is set for the 101st Regiment St. Mihiel reunion and convention which will be conducted in this town tomorrow. The pre-convention ball was held tonight in the municipal auditorium and was attended by hundreds.

The principal events on the program tomorrow include a large parade at 2.30 o'clock and preceding the parade Mayor James M. Curley, principal speaker of the day will give an address in the Town auditorium. The registration office was opened this afternoon and the first veteran to register was Reginald Beal of Cohasse. Late tonight the registration had swelled to more than 300 and housing facilities became a problem as the visiting veterans arrived in town.

Miss Sadie Martin, headquarters secretary, had charge of registering the incoming veterans and assigning them to rooms. Peter J. Schofield, secretary of Co. K association; James Mohan, executive secretary of the St. Mihiel Day celebration, and Martin A. O'Toole of the housing committee, assisted in the work.

The opening event of the celebration tonight, the military ball, was a huge success, the spacious Town hall floor being taxed to capacity by the 500 couples in attendance. Music for the event was furnished by the Alhambra band of Boston.

The grand march formed at 8.20 and was led by Mr. and Mrs. John J. Kelley of Boston, Mr. Kelley being the regimental association commander. Reginald Bates, commander of Company K association, acted as floor director, his assistants were William G. Baer, Peter J. Schofield, Maj. Peter J. Connelly and George Schobert.

The aides were Capt. Edgar R. Dinsmore, Earl L. Devaney, Clarence W. Goss, Maj. James T. Duane, Martin A. O'Toole, Michael J. Schofield, Edward E. Vattes, Walter Gutman, Henry A. McCullough, John F. O'Malley, Thomas A. Hamilton, William Burgwinkle, William Carothers, James Boylan, Alfred Langlois, James Minnegan, William Young, Bernard Rash.

John A. Grady, Everet Hofman, James H. Mohan, Asa Gordon, Edward Reddy, John J. O'Toole, Ralph Boynton, George H. O'Malley, William Kelliher, Thomas Mayberry, Edward W. Brady, Robert Stewart, James Blanchflower and Harry D. Moran. The committee in charge of the ball included Maj. Peter J. Connelly, chairman; Ernest Hofman, George H. O'Malley, William G. Baer and John J. O'Toole.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 9/12/31

BATTER AUTO INS. LAW FROM PILLAR TO POST

Hundreds of Persons From All Sections of State Protest Compulsory Law and Rates Tentatively Set For 1932--Greater Lawrence Solons Recorded Against

BOSTON, Sept. 11 (AP)—Massachusetts' compulsory automobile insurance law was battered from pillar to post today at a public hearing in the State House. Four hundred persons from all parts of the state assailed the law and especially the rates tentatively set for 1932.

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston led the assault on the law and the insurance companies by charging that lobbies organized by the insurance companies have 'clubbed into silence or given a ticket for a vacation" to those who would voice opposition to the law or the rates at previous hearings. He supported the Conectnicut financial responsibility law with a demerit system as a successor to the present law. The Boston mayor said the only hope of the people was in the special session of the legislature which Governor Joseph B. Ely has called for Sept. 28.

The position of private companies dealing in the insurance was defended by Judge Frederic Chase, representing 43 of the stock companies doing business in the state. He charged that the inadequacy of the rates set by the insurance commissioner had brought about large losses to the companies.

Figures introduced by William Magoun at the suggestion of Judge Chase purported to show that the excess of losses and expenses over the premiums secured on private and commercial cars in the four year period from 1927 to 1930 were $10,544,000.

Judge Chase, in his arguments, intimated that if the commissioner failed to raise the rates, the insurance companies which he represented would take the case to the courts.

The western part of the state and Worcester added their support to the protests, the majority of which were presented by residents of Greater Boston. Mayor Henry L. Coutier, City Solicitor Walter M. Shea and Arthur Granfield of the Chamber of Commerce, presented vigorous protests in behalf of the automobile owners of Chicopee. They charged discrimination, with especial reference to Chicopee's removal from the Springfield district.

Holyoke's protests were presented by Representatives William E. Kirkpatrick and Charles D. Chevalier and Worcester's spokesman was Samuel Jaffe, a counsel for taxicab companies. The latter charged the state insurance department failed to devote sufficient attention to the "great many fake, groundless and fraudulent claims." He said several taxicab operators in Worcester would be forced out of business by the 1932 rates if those tentatively announced became effective.

Chelsea and Revere had several spokesmen all of whom appealed for some relief from the presentlaw.

Greater Lawrence Solons Against Rates

Senator James E. Warren of Lawrence recorded the Greater Lawrence delegation in the legislature in opposition to the proposed rate-increases, others so recorded were: Senator Christian Nelson and Representative E. J. Kelley and Joseph Leyden, all of Worcester, Representatives Peter Fitzgerald, Lewis R. Sullivan and Frank MacFarland of Boston; Louis Pfeifer of Bedford, Tony Garafino of Saugus and Stephen Manning of Marlboro.

SPRINGFIELD REP. 9/12/31

HERALD-TRAVELER PLANT IS OPENED

President Hoover Presses Button to Start Presses in Boston's Newest Newspaper Establishment

Boston, Sept. 11—(AP)—The new $3,500,000 plant of the Boston Herald and the Boston Traveler was dedicated today in a program of exercises featured by the start of the presses from the White House. President Hoover touched a key in the capital as Robert B. Choate, managing editor of the Herald, finished reading a telegram from the chief executive.

The telegram said: "On the occasion of the opening of the new plant of the Boston Herald and the Boston Traveler I send you cordial congratulations and all good wishes for the continued prosperity and public service of these papers."

The exercises took place from a gallery built in the press room. Speakers included E. W. Preston, publisher and general manager; Channing H. Cox, former governor of Massachusetts and a director of the papers, and Mayor James M. Curley. Preston said he believed the plant to be the most modern in the United States, while Mayor Curley praised the erection of the building as a "most notable contribution to the abolition of the psychology of fear and the relief of unemployment." The proceedings were broadcast by station WNAC.

The new plant stands on the site of the former plant and the Adams house annex. It was started in July, 1930, is seven stories high and covers three acres of floor space.

The Boston Herald-Traveler corporation, publishers of the Boston Traveler and the Boston Herald, today filed application to operate a radio broadcasting station with the federal supervisor of radio at Boston.

The wave length requested for the new station, which would be located in Boston, was 1500 kilocycles with 100 watts power.

BROCTTON ENTERPRISE 9/12/31

Denouncing the dole system, Mayor Curley of Boston, in a letter to Matthew Woll, vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, insisted that the general adoption of the five-day working week would put 3,600,000 men back to work and solve the nation's unemployment problem.

Frank Murphy, lifeguard at North End Park, Boston, took a day off yesterday and just to keep in practice he saved two lives at L street, where he formerly was stationed.

THE BATTLE OF 1912

Nineteen years ago one of the greatest battles in Democratic politics was fought. On one side the late Champ Clark on the other the forces behind our late President, Woodrow Wilson. New England was a prize sought by both camps.

Dudley Field Malone, that eminent international barrister was sent to Boston in charge of the Wilson headquarters. He immediately opened an elaborate suite of offices and started out on what looked to be an easy victory.

Champ Clark's friends realized the importance of gathering into their camp the New England States delegations. To this task they assigned Senator Joe Robinson of Arkansas, Representative J. M. Graham of Illinois, the then Congressman and now Mayor of Boston, Mass James M. Curley and Congressman Scott Ferris of Oklahoma. This delegation of four arrived in Boston with nothing but a burning desire to get New England in the Clark column, they had no campaign fund, they had no elaborate headquarters, they had no great newspapers back of their candidate, they had nothing, and at the same time they had more than enough.

In Congressman James M. Curley they had a man who has since, and even at that early date been adjudged second only to William Jennings Bryan as an orator.

With an old table and five kitchen chairs for office furniture this quartet set out on their herculean task. They held meetings all over New England. They made as many as ten speeches each day, they never seemed to tire of work. Of course in the meantime the Wilson headquarters were not laying idly by, they likewise were in action every minute of the day.

Finally the campaign was centered on the City of Boston. Both sides cut loose with all their guns. It was here that the Clark forces played their trump card. Instead of all four going to different meetings it was decided they all attend the same meetings, that each would speak not over three minutes and then Congressman Curley would finish with the speech of the day.

Curley would take the platform, one minute the audience was laughing one minute crying, in fact he had them eating out of his hand, so much so that when the delegations were elected New England went to Champ Clark by two and a half to one.

Of course the rest of the story is history, we all remember how for a whole day Champ Clark had better than a majority of the voters cast at Baltimore and how William Jennings Bryan made the speech that swung the convention to Wilson. Clark immediately upon the nomination of Woodrow Wilson, wired his congratulations and promised his support and that of his followers. In the campaign that followed Scott Ferris, Joe Robinson, Jim Graham led by the only man who had a chance in a debate with the Great Commoner, Jim Curley, again campaigned New England and once again were victorious.

To-day Jim Graham is practicing law with his son in Springfield, Ill.; Joe Robinson is U. S. Senator from Arkansas; Scott Ferris is Democratic National Committeeman from Oklahoma and Vice Chairman of the Democratic National Committee; Jim Curley is now Mayor of the City of Boston, having served in this capacity on three different occasions.

This group was to the campaign of 1912 what the four horsemen were to Notre Dame.

THE PARKWAY TRANSCRIPT, 9/18/31

IS BUSINESS READY FOR A FIVE DAY WEEK?

Mayor James M. Curley professes to see in a five day working week for city employees a panacea for all unemployment ills. He plans to get five days work for six days pay and put all new employees on the same wage basis. Industry is today 25 percent five day week throughout the country.

To this plan Thomas Cutmore, president of the Massachusetts Real Estate Association offers violent protest, asserting that it will add $2,500,000 to the city payroll and increase the tax bill $1.50 per thousand. He has counseled all taxpayers to oppose the plan.

On the same line Howard Coonley, president of the Walworth Company, declares that business management, and not government, must assume the burden and the responsibility of readjustment, and in this he is supported by over two hundred business executives of greater Boston.

Finally Roger W. Babson, while admitting that the five day plan has some virtue as a temporary expedient, would not go so far as to give six days pay for five days work. That, he maintains, is really an increase in pay, and the country is not ready for it. Taxpayers are already overburdened.

BROCKTON TIMES 9/12/31

TIME TABLE FOR FAIR ANNOUNCED

List of Events Shows Their Will Be Plenty of Fine Entertainment.

The time table for events in front of the grandstand at the Brockton fair has been made up, and the list shows that there will be plenty of entertainment, selected from the best vaudeville and circus acts available in the country.

The list of light harness racing events bears out the statements which have been made that Tuesday, the opening day of the fair, when the price of admission has been cut to half price and more than 5000 grandstand seats reduced to 50 cents, will be one of the best days of all.

In addition to the events in front of the stand the departments of exhibits have been completely filled and tents have been brought into play for the dairy show, poultry show and others. The dog show will display quality in canines of the many breeds. It is a well balanced show, every day interesting and with plenty of dogs benched. The benching will be new each day.

Children will be admitted free every day of the fair, if not over 14 years of age.

An automobile will be given away each day and everyone has an equal chance of being the winner each day.

These two facts, with the superb entertainment each day and the educational features, makes the coming fair the best that has ever been put together. The management expects a record breaking attendance.

Following is the schedule:

EVERY AFTERNOON

On the track:

California Frank's rodeo and congress of champion cowboys and cowgirls, featuring Mamie Francis, world's greatest horseback rifle marksman.

Apollo, famous high jumping horse.

Zacchenni, "The human projectile," shot from a cannon, midst flame and smoke.

EVERY DAY EXCEPT SATURDAY

Horse show, one of the largest and best outdoor horse shows in the world, showing international champions and blue ribbon winners from the quality stables in America.

Auto polo, red blooded American sport filled with thrills and spills.

SPECIALS FOR TUESDAY

Pageantry depicting episodes in development of Brockton, appropriate for 50th anniversary of Brockton under city government.

Children's day sports and playground events.

Pulling contests for heavy horses in north ring.

SPECIALS FOR WEDNESDAY

Pulling contests for heavy horses and oxen in north ring, featuring contest between native oxen, using usual yoke, and Canadian oxen pulling by their borns. Grand civic parade in celebration of Brockton's 50th anniversary as a city; beautiful floats; uniformed marching organizations; martial music by bugle and drum corps and bands of American Legion posts, in competition for cash prizes.

SPECIALS FOR THURSDAY

Mayor Curley of Boston will lead Bostonians to the fair on "Boston day" and broadcast a congratulatory speech on Brockton's 50th municipal birthday.

Brockton fair 28th annual amateur athletic meet in the oval, featuring New England open horse shoe pitching tourney.

SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY

Gov. Ely and other distinguished visitors will be received in front of the grandstand as they reach the governor's box on "Governor's day," following parade on the track, under escort of Boy Scouts.

Showing of finals in horse show ring. Last day of horse show and dog show.

SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY

Automobile racing on the track by world's famous dirt track drivers.

Parade of Boy Scouts, flag raising and demonstrations by 2500 scouts.

ON THE STAGE EVERY AFTERNOON

Kings of the air, the Hustrei troupe, working 60 feet in the air on a slender wire, without any net below.

Ten Kikutas, outstanding Oriental act.

Arthur Potley & Co., casting and trampolin act.

Australian woodchoppers, featuring log splitting contest in lightning time.

Riding Costellos, bareback riders in beauty, class and daring.

Rosanna, out to break the record for one arm kickovers.

Six Davillas, sensational somersaulting.

Hollywood Horse, a pantomime skit that's undignified.

Wintergarden Girls, a snappy review, full of color and action.

Ritchie's water show, high dives and somersaults into a cauldron of fire.

Boxing kangaroo, a knockout comedy.

Ventre's American Legion band, George William Ventre, director, in concerts.

MOST BEAUTIFUL OF ALL, THE NIGHT SHOWS

Attractions on the stages and on the track, under brilliant lights, furnishing the last element of good showmanship.

THE BIG BOSS



FRED F. FIELD
President, Brockton Fair

ANNIVERSARY ORATOR



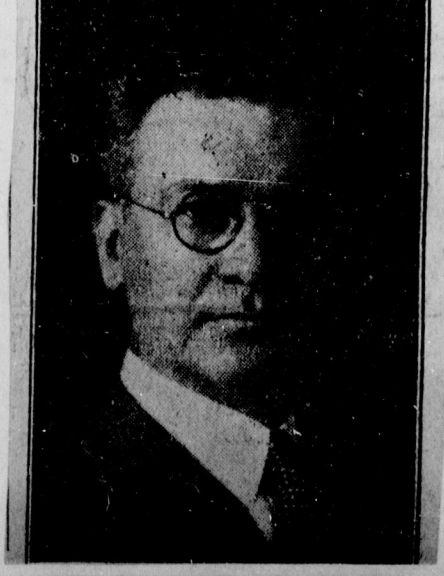
JAMES M. CURLEY
Mayor of Boston

FINAL DRIVE FOR $200 BEING MADE BY G. A. R. TABLET COMMITTEE

Amount Needed To Complete Payment And Erection Of Bronze Tablet—Send Contributions To Treasurer Arthur H. Burt, Hyde Park Savings Bank.

Dedicate Tablet On Sunday, September 27, At War Memorial Park—Mayor James M. Curley, Principal Orator.

At a meeting of the G. A. R. Tablet Fund Committee held last Tuesday night in the Municipal Building, it was announced that the committee is in need of two hundred dollars to complete the amount necessary for the purchase and erection of the bronze tablet which will be dedicated at public exercises on Sunday afternoon, September 27, at the War Memorial Park, corner of Harvard and Hyde Park avenues. The chairman of the committee, William L. Anderson, a secretary to Mayor Curley, told the committee that the contract for the erection of the tablet was awarded to John Cleary of Hyde Park.



WILLIAM L. ANDERSON
Chairman of the G. A. R. Tablet Fund Committee

The speakers will include Governor Joseph B. Ely, representing the State; Congressman W. McCormack, representing the Nation; Mayor James M. Curley will be the principal orator.

A huge parade, consisting of several veteran and fraternal organizations, will precede the exercises. Commander Joseph Chisholm, of Cecil W. Fogg Post, will be chief marshal. It is expected that twelve Legion bands with as many drum corps will be in line.

During the exercises, the "Star Spangled Banner" will be sung by Professor John J. Shonnissey, of Boston. Patriotic songs will also be redered by Madam Grida Milas, a noted opera singer.

The Public Celebration Committee of the City of Boston has made plans for the Cecil W. Fogg Post Band to render selections during the exercises. Amplifiers will also be erected on the band stand so the voices of the speakers can be heard some distance away.

A drawing of the tablet is on display in a window at 1255 River street. The window was decorated by Mrs. Mary Maxwell.

Those wishing to contribute to the fund should send their donations to Arthur H. Burt, treasurer of the Hyde Park Savings Bank. The committee states that the needed money must eb raised within the next two weeks.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 9/22/31

H. C.-B. C. GRID TILT TO REMAIN AT FENWAY PARK

But Next Year Will Find the Rivals Clashing at Worcester

Boston, Sept. 22—Holy Cross and Boston college will play their annual football game this year at Fenway park, November 28, but will meet next season at Fitton field for the first time since the series became a major event. This announcement was made yesterday by John P. Curley, graduate manager of athletics at Boston college.

Thus is written the final chapter of an intercollegiate tangle which started two years ago, when Dartmouth arranged two-year schedule with Stanford, the second game of which was listed for the Harvard stadium for November 28, the date on which Boston college and Holy Cross meet.

The next incident took place last spring, when Boston college alumni protested to Mayor Curley, with the result that permission was refused to Dartmouth to use the stadium that date.

The third step was the withdrawal of the protest and the granting of permission to Dartmouth to stage its game as planned. With everything all settled quietly and happily, and with two major games to take place on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, the next bomb came from Worcester. The Chamber of Commerce of that city wrote to Holy Cross, asking the game with Boston college be shifted to Worcester this year.

This letter, in turn, was presented to Boston college, Graduate Manager Curley being the recipient, and he passed it along to the graduate advisory board on athletics. The final result was that the board, because of existing contracts long since made, could do nothing but decide that the 1931 game should be played as scheduled, at Fenway park with next year's contest going to Worcester.

THE TOWN OPTIC 9/12/31

Chronicalling Curley



HON. JAMES M. CURLEY

James Michael Curley, mayor of Boston, presents an amazing and compelling study for estimate, no one more so in the country. Here is a man who was born into the only inheritance essential to make life what it ought to be, a good mother and father. Otherwise he had nothing, except a high spirit, which is much. He was born, not with a silver spoon, but with a wooden ladder in his mouth, which he proceeded forthwith to climb. Here is a man as to whom no one is apathetic, whose marked individuality leaves in its wake all, either friends or foes, no middle class of critics. At the mention of his name, all either say it with flowers or take to the fire-escapes. Of such are the doers of life And of these, to their everlasting honor, it can never be written, as of colorless citizens: "He left no one but friends." His memory will never be so discounted and daubed, doubtless.

A marked revulsion of attitude toward this man has passed over Boston during his present mayoralty, for a number of reasons. Some who have been the first to berate him now assert, enthusiastically, that Boston is the best governed city in the country. They endorse him, from Alpha to Omega, without limitation or qualification. Again a change of atmosphere in strange quarters is manifest. Such of the Beaconese and purified as gatehr at the Odd Volume Club, the Boston Atheneum, the Massachusetts Historical Society and the churches about Copley Sq., who wash, not as a religious rite on Saturday night but for fun and unnecessarily, are now wondering whether they have been wrong in their attitude toward this man, and, more than this, many who came to scoff have remained to pray. And yet, when some read the posters which were spread over Boston in the last municipal campaign: "Boston needs Curley," they revised these words to read: "Curley needs Boston." No man hereabouts has invited more savage attack. When Jim is the issue, cautious maids move their perambulators into the side-streets, and anemic men crawl up into the tree tops.

In him are all the dangers of the electric current, which when harnessed drives the trolley but which when in storms it runs amuck wounds and destroys. He is a political product which, if properly developed, could sit anywhere politically. Will he respond? This those who stand by him ask, and hope that he will measure up to the confidence of the best. He is a political bison whom the virile admire and yet fear.

9/12/31
SPRINGFIELD UNION

AUTO INSURANCE AND ZONE SYSTEM BITTERLY SCORED

Chicopee and Holyoke Join in Leading Attack on Rates at Boston Hearing.

SPEAKERS CHARGE "DISCRIMINATION"

Curley Voices Protest but Goodwin Fails to Speak; Session Lags at Finish, Due to Heat.

Special to The Springfield Union.

BOSTON, Sept. 11—Abolition of the zone system in fixing compulsory automobile insurance rates was advocated by Senator Joseph Finnegan of Dorchester, speaking before Insurance Commissioner Merton L. Brown at the State House this afternoon. Brown was hearing the annual protests at the compulsory automobile insurance schedules, which he recently announced, and on which he is required by law to hold hearings before final promulgation.

After getting a rousing start at the morning session the hearing petered woefully during the afternoon. Intense heat, which could not be combated by the mere taking off of coats and the instalation of cool drinking water, made its inroads in the audience. Comparative few returned after the lunch hour and those who did, hearing speaker after speaker protest the rates for taxicabs in the light of personal grievances, surrendered to heat and left the hall.

Curley Steals Show.

More especially the lack of interest in the afternoon was due to the impression that the hearing was nothing but a talkfest. Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, who stole the show at the morning session with a snappy speech, admitted that all the meeting was good for was for protest purposes as the matter would soon be in the hands of the Legislature meeting in special session. Other speakers told the same story.

9/18/31
THE DES MONITORS REGISTER



The newly elected senior vice commander-in-chief of the Sons of Union Veterans, William L. Anderson, invited the veterans, on behalf of Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, to make their 1933 encampment at Boston. Mr. Anderson has held office in the Sons of Veterans for 24 years, with the exception of one year. He is secretary to Mayor Curley.

ARLINGTON ADVOCATE 9/25/31

The Cantab eleven was fighting harder than ever now, and were slowly but surely edging toward the Arlington goal. Hopkins got off a punt that gave Arlington the ball on their own 20-yard stripe. Here, came the break for McDonald's outfit.

"Traf" Hicks decided to kick his team out of dangerous territory but Johnson, playing a heads-up brand of ball for the short-enders broke through the line and blocked the kick. The ball rolled behind the line and Powers fell on it for a Cantab score. This gave the local boys a one point advantage, and they decided to keep it. For on the try for the point, about five Arlington men smothered Carchia as he failed to get the extra marker.

Arlington kicked off to Latin 28-yard line and then the Cambridge boys uncorked a terrific march up the field that just fell short of a touchdown when Boucher made an almost impossible catch of Capt. Le Rond's pass as the final whistle blew.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 9/11/31

BOSTON NEWSPAPER PLANT IS DEDICATED

President Hoover Touches Key That Starts Herald and Traveler Presses

BOSTON, Sept. 11 (AP)—The new $3,500,000 plant of the Boston Herald and the Boston Traveler was dedicated today in a program of exercises featured by the start of the presses from the White House. President Hoover touched a key in the capitol as Robert B. Choate, managing editor of the Herald, finished reading a telegram from the chief executive.

The telegram read: "On the occasion of the opening of the new plant of the Boston Herald and the Boston Traveler I send you cordial congratulations and all good wishes for the continued prosperity and public service of these papers."

The exercises took place from a gallery built in the press room. Speakers included E. W. Preston, publisher and general manager, Channing H. Cox, former governor of Massachusetts and a director of the papers, and Mayor James M. Curley.

Preston said he believed the plant to be the most modern in the United States, while Mayor Curley praised the erection of the building as a "most notable contribution to the abolition of the psychology of fear and the relief of unemployment."

The proceedings were broadcast by Station WNAC.

The new plant stands on the site of the former plant and the Adams House Annex. It was started in July 1930, is seven stories high and covers three acres of floor space.

HERALD-NEWS 9/11/31

Mayor and City's Counsel Attending Auto Rate Hearing

Mayor Sullivan and Corporation Counsel Murphy went to Boston this morning to attend the hearing on the compulsory automobile insurance rates announced for 1932.

They are to attend to observe the movement and because Murphy is to be a member of a committee of city attorneys who will be asked to advise on the draft of any legislation which might be desired.

This committee was formed at the meeting of the mayors sponsored by Mayor Curley of Boston Monday.

FRAMINGTON NEWS 9/11/31

CURLEY ADVISES COMBINATE INSURANCE SYSTEM

Boston, Sept. 11 (INS)—An ardent plea that Massachusetts adopt a combination of the Connecticut financial responsibility law, and the demerit system, to succeed the present compulsory automobile insurance law, made this afternoon by Mayor James M. Curley before 600 interested persons in Gardiner Auditorium at the State House as Insurance Commissioner Merton L. Brown opened a public hearing on the proposed insurance schedule for 1932. Strenuous protest was made against the increase in rates, as outlined by the commissioner.

LEOMINSTER ENTERPRISE 9/11/31

Mayor Curley in Clinton Tomoorrow

CLINTON, Sept. 11.—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston will be the speaker and guest of honor at the St. Mihiel Day celebration tomorrow under the direction of the Co. K veterans' association in conjunction with the veterans of the 101st regiment. Mayor Curley will address th egathering in the town hall at noon. Gov. Ely may also be on hand.

A grand parade will be held at 2.30 o'clock. In the evening there will be a fireworks display at Fuller

Worcester Telegram 9/12/31

HERALD-TRAVELER PLANT DEDICATED

Hoover Starts Presses in Hub Newspapers' New Building

By Telegram Staff Correspondent

BOSTON, Sept. 11.—In the presence of several hundred visiting newspaper executives from all parts of New England, together with many friends and business associates of the management, the new $3,500,000 building of the Boston Herald and the Boston Traveler was formally dedicated today. The new presses were started from Washington when President Hoover pressed a button at the White House.

A moment before the presses were started a telegram from President Hoover was read by Robert B. Choate, managing editor of the Herald, from the visitors' gallery of the pressroom where the dedicatory exercises were neld. The message read: "On the occasion of the opening of the new plant of the Boston Herald and the Boston Traveler I send you cordial congratulations and all good wishes for the continued prosperity and public service of these papers."

Speakers

Speakers at the exercises were E. W. Preston, publisher and general manager, who referred to the new plant as a mark of the courage and the faith in New England of those responsible for its erection; former Gov. Channing H. Cox, a director of the publishing company, who described the plant as the most modern newspaper building in the country, and Mayor James M. Curley, who praised the erection of the plant as "a notable contribution to the abolition of the psychology of fear" in a period of business depression. The proceedings were broadcast by Station WNAC.

The new building, seven stories high, stands on the site of the old Herald-Traveler building and the old Adams House annex on Avery and Mason streets. It has three acres of floor space. Construction was begun in July of last year.

Invited guests gathered in the building at noon and after the dedicatory exercises in the pressroom were taken to the seventh floor where a buffet luncheon was served. The visitors were then separated into groups and, with a guide for each group, were escorted through the other six floors with opportunity to inspect the new equipment of the various departments and to see much of it in operation.

Lawrence Tribune 9/10/31

FIVE-DAY WEEK

Interesting Topic of Discussion Furnished by Mayor Curley's Announcement of Change He Intends Making

Mayor James M. Curley's Labor Day announcement of his intention to inaugurate a five-day week next January for Boston city employes other than those working in institutions and in the police and fire departments provides the basis for interesting and far-reaching discussion, particularly because he expressed the hope that the Hub's example would be followed by every other community in America.

Boston's mayor declared that he proposed to institute the policy to assure the workers of the positions they now have. Mayor Curley pointed out that the adoption of the five-day week will increase the number of employes sixteen per cent and will offset the vanishing job. He contended that the shortened working week is the only answer to the results of the inventive genius which has eliminated 3,000,000 opportunities for making a livelihood in the past ten years and which may wipe out 4,000,000 more in the next decade. The details of Mayor Curley's plan are only in the formative stage and he declared that it probably would be sixty days before they were complete.

A rather decided reaction followed in the wake of the announcement, favorable in some instances and unfavorable in others. Many of the Boston business leaders approved, especially those in industries where the five-day week has been successfully practiced. Others were noncommittal and still others were opposed because of the fact that the Curley plan proposes no loss of wages in connection with the shortening of the working week.

There has even been talk already of court action by Boston taxpayers in an endeavor to prevent Mayor Curley from carrying out his proposal on the ground that it would be illegal for the city to use public funds to pay over to thousands of municipal employes six days' wages for but five days of service. He contends that the plan can be worked out so that it will not burden the taxpayers unfairly.

The first city to fall in line with Mayor Curley's suggestion was Cambridge, where the city council Tuesday night adopted an order calling for a five-day week with full pay for city laborers. However, the order only becomes effective when endorsed by the mayor. Mayor O'Hara of Worcester is not in favor of the change at this time, having been quoted as of the opinion that the question requires much consideration and adding that the interests of the taxpayers must be safeguarded.

The five-day week has been in effect among certain of the Lawrence municipal employes for several years past. Right now the employes of the sanitation department are on a five-day week schedule and have been for the greater part of the past five years. However, they do not receive a full week's wages, but are paid on the basis of the exact amount of time they work. At present laborers in the pub-

FRAMINGHAM NEWS
9/12/31

AS BOSTON ADOPTS SHORT WEEK

Public employees are usually the last to inherit labor reforms or improving conditions, including higher wages. The man or woman working for municipality, county, state or the federal government is expected, it seems, to take what he or she can get and be satisfied. There is a lot of charity in public service.

These statements are not refuted by the fact that 7,000 city employes in Boston will start on a five-day week next January. They are getting another day of rest only because the unemployment crisis compelled the city administration to do something, and it was given grudgingly because it means more money from the pocket of John Smith, taxpayer, who would be the first to protest in normal times. .. ..

Boston's decision gives enormous impetus to the five-day week movement. A municipal corporation is an effective recruit in the little company of private corporations already in line. It will bear considerable weight with thousands of business executives and may force other cities into similar action to relive the unemployment situation next winter.

This concession to the public employes of Boston, if you can call an involuntary surrender a concession, is in strange contrast to New York City's refusal to abolish the seven-day week for rapid transit workers. It puts that city in an embarrassing position.

WOR. TEL. 9/12/31

CURLEY GIVES PAY SLICE TO RELIEF

BOSTON, Sept. 11 (AP) — Mayor James M. Curley of Boston will give 20 per cent of his salary to the poor and jobless of the city. He instructed the city treasurer today to transfer to the public welfare department one-fifth of his salary each week. His contribution will amount to $4000 a year.

LOWELL COURIER-CIT. 9/14/31

Mayor Curley will give a fifth of his pay in support of the needy—but no doubt there will be a quid pro quo in the form of popularity which robs the gift of a portion of its hurt.

PITTSFIELD EAGLE 9/15/31

OPINIONS

A man who puts nut No. 99 on a hundred machines per day, year after year, is liable to become a nut himself in the course of time.—The Rev. Dr. S. Parkes Cadman.

I believe the man who reduces the number of his help and wages in a period of depression, such as we have witnessed in the past two years, and who continues to pay the same dividends, is as much an enemy of America as any Red.—James M. Curley.

As a result we who pride ourselves on being a people of great practical energies are today absurdly demoralized, so demoralized that we actually look upon the assembling of the next American congress not as an opportunity for collective action, but as a nightmare. —Walter Lippmann.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/15/31

GUARDING THE MAYOR.

Boston, Sept. 16. — (UP)—Fifty policemen were assigned to Franklin Park municipal golf course to-day to handle the crowds. Popular Francis Ouimet, national amateur champion, was to play as Mayor James M. Curley's partner in a foursome.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 9/12/31

CURLEY DEFENDS FIVE-DAY WEEK

Boston, Spt. 12—Mayor Curley declares that a five-day week, proposed by him for city employes, is the only alternative to a "dole" system which has brought Great Britain into its present financial straits, in a letter to Matthew Woll, vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, acknowledging the latter's expressed approval of the mayors plan. He wrote:—

"Objections, naturally, will be raised to the payment of a yearly wage basis rather than an hourly or daily basis to the beneficiaries of the five-day week, but we are not justified in closing our eyes to the fact that the prosperity of America is less dependent upon our export and import trade than it is upon the prosperity of the individual American citizen.

"In other words, the best customer for the American nation is the well paid American worker and with conditions as they are in the world at the present time, and they give promise of continuing for some future period, it is evident that the American worker will continue to be, whether in times of depression or prosperity, the best American customer.

Discounts Objections

"In common with every observant individual who has studied the operation of the unemployment insurance or so-called 'dole' in Great Britain and elsewhere, I am more fearful of its injurious effects upon the state of mind and body of the American worker than even its devastating effect upon the treasury, whether it be federal, state or municipal, and yet, apparently, there is no alternative for the 'dole' but a courageous constructive system of planning and execution, plus a five-day week.

The same objections that were raised in the past against the substitution of the eight-hour day for a 10-hour day will be advanced against the five-day week, notwithstanding the fact that the teachers in our public schools have for more than a half century, not only enjoyed a five-day working week basis, but in addition have been granted 10 weeks' vacation in the summer time.

"Yet there is no individual with the hardihood to demand that the money which teachers receive for the 10-weeks' vacation, during which period they do not work, or for the Saturdays they do not work, should be withheld from them."

HAVERHILL RECORD
9/12/31

All this brings me to further discussion of the "five-day-week" and the recent announcement of Mayor Curley of Boston that he favors such a plan for city employees. I notice that he did not explain that he expected to pay the same weekly wage for less hours, which makes his plan manifestly unfair. I believe the Boston News Bureau sizes up the question in a fair and intelligent way in its recent editorial on "An Unwise Step:"

"Adventures of politics into economics seldom end happily at the expected destination. It seems to be so with the mayor of Boston's Labor Day inspiration to make new jobs for some 800 by putting 7000 of the city's present employees on a five-day weekly basis, on an undisturbed pay rating, and with an undetermined cost increase of more than $25,000.

"The motive is of course admirable for these times. But has His Honor thought through on his inspiration? Was he not ill-advised and hasty? And is it not an injudicious governmental doctrine which he explicitly recommends to sister municipalities?

"Whence will come the extra pay that must be recruited for this addition to the city payroll? If the doctrine is sound, could not ingenuity somehow manage to extend it to the police, firemen, nurses, etc., now left excluded—as a yet greater burden upon the budget for 1932?

"The ultimate and inescapable answer is clear enough. It must come from the already heavily laden taxpayer, corporate or individual. The weight of municipal taxation is recognized as crushing. Why add one straw to it that can be avoided? The call is all the other way—for prompt and drastic reduction.

"But paying His Honor's sixth-day man will have yet further consequences. At a time when municipal employees with pay scales unaltered from 1929 are 15% to 20% beneficiaries of a lowered living cost, it is thereby proposed to thrust further toll upon the luckless individuals who aren't on a sheltered payroll.

"It may, if this gospel spreads, mean a padding of municipal cost-sheeets at the precarious expense of general industry none too well situated or fortified. What benefit is it to city or society to add a few hundreds or perhaps thousands to civic lists when just as many or perhaps more have to be divorced from the usually more efficient pay-sheets of private business? Such relief is the direct opposite to its name.

"If the new burden falls on the already overbowed shoulders of the home-owner, however light the addition be deemed, the effect is quite as serious or cruel to the affected individual. Real estate is already carrying more than its fair load.

"All-around such a scheme means a promiscuous and unscientific shifting of costs and burdens and equally haphazard redistribution of favors. The net expense is all the greater because a more wasteful channel is chosen for each affected dollar.

American Legion auto guessing contest. Someone gets a new automobile every night absolutely free.

Exhibition drill by drum and bugle corps of Brockton post, American Legion (except Friday and Saturday nights).

Thrilling vaudeville acts until 9.45.

Then the FIREWORKS. Features of pyrotechnical beauty never before presented; originated for the Brockton fair.

Last of all, visit the Village Hippodrome and enjoy the funny rides, games and shows.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/12/31

MANY UNITE IN SHARP PROTEST ON AUTO RATES

New Schedule Scored at State House Hearing.

Boston, Sept. 11.—(UP)—Statewide protests against the proposed compulsory automobile insurance rates for 1932 were voiced by legislators, city and town officials, and private citizens at a public hearing at the State House to-day.

Approximately 400 persons crowded Gardiner auditorium where State Insurance Commissioner Merton L. Brown presided over the session.

The hearing appeared to have been robbed of much spice by Gov. Ely's recent announcement that he would call a special session of the legislature shortly to solve the automobile insurance problem.

Commissioner Brown announced that the purpose of the hearing was to give anyone that desired an opportunity to be heard on the proposed rates.

H. F. Stoddard, manager of the Boston Automobile Club, said members of that organization believe they are not being properly served by the increase in rates. He declared that they are not blaming the insurance commissioner and that Gov. Ely in placing the matter before the legislature was a step whereby they hoped to get proper relief.

Rep. James W. Clark, republican, Amesbury, presented a petition signed by 175 motorists of Amesbury and vicinity protesting against the schedule, claiming that the rate for a small car in their territory had been increased from $16 to $25.

Insurance Firms Protest.

Representing 45 stock companies writing automobile insurance, Judge Frederic Chase then attempted to put in the case of the insurance companies which, he said, was to criticize the schedule.

Judge Chase declared that what the outcome of the special session of the legislature would be "no one can tell. Until the present act is repealed or amended it stands as the law of the commonwealth and must be observed and followed."

He declared he would introduce his evidence in the way of sworn testimony and was about to call his first witness when Samuel Silverman, corporation counsel for the City of Boston, appealed to the insurance commissioner that he had ruled that the people from the western part of the State were to be heard first and not the insurance companies.

Rep. Daniel J. Coakley, democrat, Chicopee, also joined in this protest. Coakley didn't think it was fair to have the insurance companies give their evidence at the start to offset what the people proposed.

"I think the people throughout the commonwealth who have come here should be heard first," Coakley said. "These representatives of the insurance companies are getting paid to come here and they can come any time."

Further, the legislator pointed out that nobody knows what the legislature is going to do, and therefore the rates should be held up anyway. There was a round of applause when he concluded. O. H. Kaplan of the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce and Mayor Henry Cloutier of Chicopee also clamored to be heard at this time.

Judge Chase said he was not there to support the rates, but to criticize them. "I assumed that, Mr. Chase," Commissioner Brown replied while the crowd laughed and applauded.

Senator Conde Brodbine, republican, Revere, came forward with a statement urging that the people be heard first by remarking: "I don't think the people are on trial here, but the insurance companies."

Curley Offers Plan.

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston announced his support of a combination of the Connecticut financial responsibility law and a demerit system in substitution for the present Massachusetts statute.

He said if the present law continued in effect it would "leave no hope for the pedestrians, the motorists and the commonwealth."

"I appreciate," he said, "that there are limitations to the powers of the insurance commissioner and I also appreciate that in these days difficulties are met in earning a livelihood, and we have mills grinding out lawyers faster than lawyers are born. They have to have legal business. I am not condemning the legal profession but there are some who do things which might be called unethical but which the majority of the people call criminal. That such things are being done is apparent to everyone."

Brockton's protest was presented by a delegation of four, headed by Mayor Harold D. Bent.

WORCESTER POST 9/12/31

O'Hara Lauds Curley's Contribution to Boston Welfare Department

Mayor Curley is to be commended for his leadership in a movement to relieve by popular contributions the burden on Boston taxpayers created by the demands upon the public welfare department that have resulted from unemployment," Mayor O'Hara said today. "His decision to contribute 20 percent of his salary of $20,000 to an unemployment relief fund to be administered by the public welfare department reflects his fine public spirit." Personally I have given to charity more than 20 percent of my salary ever since I have held public office and propose to continue to do in the future. In a public address last spring I called upon all city employes to respond liberally to all efforts for relief to the unemployed. Under present conditions it is the duty of all persons who are employed to assist in every way possible those out of work."

E. BOSTON FREE PRESS 9/12/31

ACTION

(Boston Traveler)

Mayor Curley, advised by Corporation Counsel Silverman, has ordered owners of land along the East Boston waterfront to remove the rotting hulks of ships which contaminate the neighborhood.

The owners are given five days in which to comply. If they do not comply, they are liable to prosecution on a public nuisance charge.

It is posible, even probable, that the land owners are not to blame for the presence of the hulks. It is their misfortune that they are the victims. But if somebody spills noxious refuse on your front lawn and you cannot find him, it is up to you to remove it so that the neighbors will not suffer.

The main point is that the nuisance will be abated.

N. BEDFORD STANDARD 9/12/31

Mayor Curley of Boston, telling how much better other nations have met the depression crisis than we have, praises Holland's reclaiming eight thousand square miles of land from the sea. If anybody can demonstrate the need of more arable land in this country now is the time for him to step up and do so.

MILFORD NEWS 9/14/31

MAYOR PASSES THROUGH

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston passed through town Saturday afternoon. Traveling in a state car, His Honor was forced to halt for a red light on the corner of Main and Exchange streets. Two young fellows standing on the sidewalk noticed the car and one of them exclaimed rather loudly, "That looks like Mayor Curley." Whereupon, the mayor turned around and lifted his hat in salute.

N. BEDFORD MERCURY
9/14/31

AUTOMOBILE RATES SCORED AT HEARING

Persons from All Parts of State Assail the Present Law

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The western part of the state and Worcester added their support to the protests, the majority of which were presented by residents of Greater Boston. Mayor Henry L. Coutier, City Solicitor Walter M. Shea and Arthur Granfield of the Chamber of Commerce, presented vigorous protests in behalf of the automobile owners of Chicopee. They charged discrimination, with especial reference to Chicopee's removal from the Springfield district.

Holyoke's protests were presented by Representatives William E. Kirkpatrick and Charles D. Chevalier and Worcester's spokesman was Samuel Jaffe, a counsel for taxicab companies. The latter charged the state insurance department failed to devote sufficient attention to the "great many fake, groundless and fraudulent claims." He said several taxicab operators in Worcester would be forced out of business by the 1932 rates if those tentatively announced become effective.

Chelsea and Revere had several spokesmen, all of whom appealed for some relief from the present law.

The position of private companies dealing in the insurance was defended by Judge Frederic Chase, representing 43 of the stock companies doing business in the state. He charged that the inadequacy of the rates set by the insurance commissioner had brought about large losses to the companies.

Figures introduced by William Magoun at the suggestion of Judge Chase purported to show that the excess of losses and expenses over the premiums secured on private and commercial cars in the four year period from 1927 to 1930 were $10,544,000.

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Senator James E. Warren of Lawrence recorded the greater Lawrence delegation in the legislature in opposition to the proposed rate increases. Others so recorded were Senator Christian Nelson and Representatives E. J. Kelley and Joseph Leyden, all of Worcester; Representatives Peter Fitzgerald, Lewis R. Sullivan and Frank MacFarland of Boston; Louis Pfeiffer of Bedford, Tony Garafano of Saugus and Stephen Manning of Marlboro.

N. BEDFORD STANDARD
9/12/31

400 ATTEND AUTO HEARING

Compulsory Insurance Law Assailed by Worcester, Boston Speakers

Companies to Have Recourse to Court if Rates Cut, Judge Hints

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Senator James E. Warren of Lawrence recorded the greater Lawrence delegation in the legislature in opposition to the proposed rate increases. Others so recorded were Senator Christian Nelson and Representatives E. J. Kelley and Joseph Leyden, all of Worcester; Representatives Peter Fitzgerald, Lewis R. Sullivan and Frank MacFarland of Boston; Louis Pfeiffer of Bedford, Tony Garafano of Saugus and Stephen Manning of Marlboro.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 9/13/31

Mayor Curley's announcement of a five-day-week plan for certain employes of the city of Boston has naturally alarmed taxpayers. President Cudmore of the Massachusetts Real Estate Owners' association counsels taxpayers and real estate men to "rise in rebellion." "I want to call upon you," he says, "to present a solid front against this plan and if it goes into effect refuse to pay taxes until the mayor comes off his high horse." It is fair to say that Mayor Curley's grandiloquent declaration invites this grandiloquent reply. But what the mayor promises in a spirited Labor day address and what he finds it convenient or possible to carry out are not necessarily the same. No one objects to the five-day week in public employment; what is objected to is the five-day week with six days' pay. In Atlanta the mayor is taking the opposite course. He plans to make city officials and employes work one month of the year...

GAZETTA DEL MASSACHUSETTS 9/12/31

THE FIVE DAY WORK WEEK

Mayor Curley is a staunchadvocate of a five day work week. He believes that the development of automatic machinery has resulted in such an increase of speed in production and has eliminated so much manual labor in industries that this gain can only be offset by a shortened working week.

There is much upon which the mayor bases his conviction. But the inauguration of his plan to cease municipal activities in Boston every Friday and allow city workers who can be released from their regular employment Saturday forenoon to enjoy a full holiday does not mean that it will be adopted either by governments or by industry.

The five day week is the goal of organized labor. Their idea is that there shouldbea shorter working week without any decrease in wages. It is the idea of Mayor Curley to try this experiment.

There is grave danger at this particular time in the adoption of such a radical departure from recognized standards. Just now Boston is hitting the pocketbooks of the tax payers a terrific blow and the fact that 6500 of them were unable to pay their taxes of 1930 indicates that the blow has been more than they could stand.

The Gazzetta would like to have the five day week universally adopted provided that it did not incease the cost of living or unduly disturb existing tax situations.

With unemployment the outstanding trouble throughout the world, those who have a job are lucky. Those who have federal, state or city jobs are even more lucky. They have been working and drawing wages regularly while millions of less fortunate men and women have been starving or living upon doles or other forms of charity.

If the five day week would be universally adopted, and we doubt that such a record will be attained within a few years, it would be wonderful.

Talking of five day weeks while millions are unemployed unless it means that many of the jobless would have steady work is not particularly encouraging to the unemployed who are hungry.

We wait with keen interest the definite announcement of what Mayor Curley propoes to do in Boston. It will not be until a concrete plan is envolved that it can be commented upon fairly. Meanwhile we praise the mayor for enunciating such a radical departure from recognized custom. It is with regret that we note that jobs are no more numerous than for the past year. The jobless are entitled to preference over those who have jobs and if the mayor can work out some scheme of creating jobs without further burdening Boston taxpayers, he will be acclaimed as the foremost of American leaders.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 9/22/31

GOV. ELY WILL ATTEND MAJ. WALSH FUNERAL

Special to The Gazette

CLINTON, Sept. 22.—Friends of the late Maj. Thomas L. Walsh, and of his brother, U. S. Sen. David I. Walsh, and other members of the Walsh family, continued today in great numbers to visit the Walsh home on Water street to pay their respects to the deceased attorney, whose sudden death has shocked this community. A wealth of floral tributes surrounded the beautiful casket in which the body of Major Walsh lay after it was brought here yesterday morning from the Malden hospital, where death occurred Sunday morning.

Hundreds of telegrams were received during the day from lawyer and business associates of Major Walsh and from senatorial colleagues of his brother and from many other politicians, including Gov. Joseph B. Ely and Mayor James M. Curley of Boston. It was announced at the Walsh home that no list of those thus offering sympathy would be made public.

The arrangements for the funeral, to be held tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock in St. John's church here, had not been completed this morning. A list of honorary and active pallbearers and of ushers was being prepared. The celebrant of the solemn high mass of requiem and his assistants were not definitely known. Burial is to be in St. John's cemetery.

Governor Ely's telegram follows:

"What can I say, my dear senator, in this hour of your great sorrow? My heart goes out to you and to your sisters and brothers. I mourn with you. Shall attend the funeral, of course."

Secretary DeWolf wired: "Words fail me in extending to you and all your family my sympathy. May the love of years bring you comfort now. You will receive no message more sincere than mine."

Mayor Curley's telegram follows: "I deeply mourn with you in the loss of your beloved brother. In strength of purpose, kindliness of spirit and loyalty of character, he was an exceptional citizen. He gave a most devoted service to those oppressed and suffering who needed an advocate that justice might be secured. No man can win a greater tribute in the realm of the law."

Atty. James A. Crotty, president of the Worcester County Bar association, has appointed a delegation to represent the association at the funeral.

Attorneys appointed are Albert W. Blackmer, Charles F. Campbell, Rufus B. Dodge, George Avery White, David Goldstein, John F. Jandron, John C. Mahoney, Edwin G. Norman, Charles C. Milton, George E. O'Toole, John W. Sheehan, George R. Stobbs, Charles M. Thayer and Arthur J. Young, all of Worcester, and Owen A. Hoban of Gardner.

As 101st Veterans Celebrated St. Mihiel at Clinton



General view of the parade of the 101st Regiment of the 26th Division as the veterans held their annual St. Mihiel celebration at Clinton, yesterday.

Association Officers Chosen, Future Annual Reunions Planned — Curley Among Speakers

CLINTON, Sept. 12.—The first convention, reunion and St. Mihiel day celebration of the 101st Regiment of the 26th, "Yankee," division, held here today under the auspices of the Company K Veterans' association, surpassed all predictions. The feature of the day, the street parade, was one of the longest and most colorful ever witnessed in the history of the town.

From the sounding of whistles and the exploding of aerial bombs at 8.52 a. m., which marked the zero hour for the 101st regiment, 13 years ago, in the famous battle of St. Mihiel, until the firing of the last piece of fireworks at Fuller's field late tonight there was not an idle moment.

At the convention, which opened at Town hall at 10 a. m., steps were taken to make the convention and reunion an annual affair, and James S. Cresswell of Boston, D. S. C. member of Company K, the newly elected commander of the Regimental Veterans association, was empowered to appoint a committee to draw up a set of rules and regulations to govern future events similar to the one today.

The convention also, in order to secure more co-operation and closer harmony between the units of the regiment, voted to have each company in the regiment select two delegates to be members of the regimental council. Meetings of the council to be held regularly in the interests of the regiment.

Regimental History Planned

Another matter taken up by the convention was the securing of material for a complete regimental history and the preservation of all manuscripts, pictures and maps which have historic value for the 101st in its participation in the World War. Gen. Edward L. Logan, in his address to the convention, took this movement for his topic and eloquently urged the veterans to see to it that the history of the regiment be preserved for posterity.

The election of officers resulted in these selections for the coming year: James Creswell of Boston, D. S. C., member of Company K, commander; Daniel Brennan of Company M, Lowell, vice commander; James O'Laughlin of Company G, Worcester, second vice commander; Albert Hayes, machine gun company, Brookline, treasurer; A. J. Furdon of Company C, Boston, secretary; William Hall of Company M, Natick, historian; Albert Costanza of Company H, Boston, sergeant-at-arms; Rev. Michael J. O'Connor, chaplain; Rev. Oasis Boucher, assistant chaplain.

Lieut. Gen. Edward L. Logan of Boston, Brig. Gen. Thomas F. Foley of Worcester and William Brown, commander of the Legion of Valor of Massachusetts, were given a royal welcome to the convention and were escorted to seats of honor on the stage.

Mayor Curley Speaks

At the close of the convention at 1 p. m., Hon. James M. Curley, mayor of Boston, arrived at the hall and was introduced to the meeting by Lieutenant General Logan. Mayor Curley was given a warm reception

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SCENES OF 101ST ST. MIHIEL CELEBRATION

PARADE AT CLINTON



Prize winning Sons of Italy



General view of [illegible] Guards in their dress blues.

by the assembled veterans and hundreds of Clinton citizens who had flocked to the hall to hear the mayor's address.

Mayor Curley, launching into a real "Jim" Curley speech, complimented the veterans on the perfection of their organization and emphasized the need of organization today to bring the needs of the common private to the attention of those in high places. He closed his speech with a ringing denunciation of prohibition and "the hypocricy behind it." The audience which filled the auditorium to overflowing interrupted Mayor Curley many times with prolonged applause.

A throng estimated at 15,000 witnessed the parade, which passed between solid ranks of people for most of the two miles of streets covered. It was considerably over a mile in length and took one hour and 10 minutes to pass the reviewing stand. The parade had no sags, 10 drum corps and five bands keeping every one stepping through the long tramp.

On High street, which was a solid mass of humanity for four blocks, allowing only room for the marchers to pass through, there was much applause for the many snappy outfits displayed by the musical organizations. The float division was one of the most elaborate ever seen here, with 39 floats in line, many of them of exceptional merit.

The final unit of the parade reached Fuller's field at 4.45 and the program there was immediately started. The opening attraction was guard mount. The feature was put on by Company B of Worcester and I of Natick. Capt. James Fannon of Company I received the review, and Lieut. William Courtney of Company B acted as officer of the day. At the opening of the exhibition fully 6000 people were on the field.

The drum and bugle competition followed. First prize, $100, went to John and Ralph Manning post, A. L., Drum corps of Hudson. Second honors went to the West Springfield V. F. W. Drum corps, $75. Third prize was awarded to the Oliver Ames post, A. L., corps of Boston, $25.

Nashua post, V. F. W., was awarded the special consolation cup having been very close in the judges' ranking. The contest was judged by Bartlett W. Towne, chairman of the Massachusetts Drum and Bugle Corps association; Capt. William Curran of Marlboro, Capt. William Rose of Worcester and Allen McSherry of Clinton.

Floats

The winners in the float section of the parade were not decided on for some time. In giving their awards the judges made the following statement:

"The selection of winners was a very difficult task due to the great beauty, fidelity of detail and the splendid effect of at least 10 of the entries.

The final selection of the judges gave first prize to the Savoia lodge, Sons of Italy. The organization's float depicted a first aid station. Second prize was awarded to the Clinton Fish and Game Protective association, a float on two trucks with a fish pond, water fall, and hunter's cabin. Third prize went to Hofman Bros. Pork Products Co., float, the motif of which was "liberty and justice for all."

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 9/13/31

Motor Insurance to Fore

Can Governor Ely Succeed Where His Predecessors Have Failed?—Merit Rather Than Demerit Plan Suggested — Women Jurors

By BEACON HILL



BOSTON, Sept. 12.—Sam Powers, may he rest in peace—one of the best men ever, in politics or out—used to tell a story of the "meanest man," and maybe it may be applied here or there to the present situation in the matter of compulsory motor car liability insurance.

The story is of the old farmer who came driving a bay horse into the village one bright summer day. As he drew up before the general store, one of the loungers so far stirred himself as to take note of the fact that it was a new horse—that is, new under its apparent present ownership.

"Got a new hoss, ain't ye, Si?" he asked.

"Yep," said Si.

"What did ye do with the old gray mare, Si?"

"Sold her."

"What? Sold that old gray mare? Thought she must of died. How'd ye manage to sell her? She wan't wuth nothin'. She was wind-broke an' spavined. Wan't wuth nothin'."

"Wal, I sold her. Got a hundred an' a half fer her, too."

"Goshamighty! Got a hundred an' a half fer that old mare? Who'd ye sell her to?"

"Sold her to mother."

It begins to look as if someone had sold something to mother in this insurance case, but whether "mother" is the motorist, the insurance companies or someone in politics does not yet appear. If it did, everything would be simpler than it is.

Motor Insurance Nut

Anyone with a passion for system might take this insurance nut and divide it under many classifications—such as economic, social, philosophical, moral and practical. Probably what interests the most of us, being more or less motorists, is the severely practical side of the problem. What we want is lower rates—we want not only so much as we can get for our money, but we want to pay as little as possible for what we get. Any solution that lowers the rates will be popular among motorists. Any solution which keeps the rates up and justifies them will make no popular hit. The public is now thinking in terms of dollars, not of principles of taxation.

Thus, a good deal of the prevalent discussion of this insurance is beside the point, from the public viewpoint. The average motorist, being sure he is a good driver, is less interested in the debate on contribution of the existing or any other law to road safety than he is in saving a few dollars per annum. Neither is the public vastly impressed by discussion of the moral characters of insurance men or of anyone else. Frank A. Goodwin, for whose views on matters relating to motors and the highways we have much respect, suggests a wide debate on human nature when he observes, with some gusto, that "if we have crooked lawyers and crooked doctors, is it not fair to assume that we may have a few crooked insurance men?" Surely; and more than that, we might go ahead and assume that we have a few crooked merchants and politicians and ministers and salesmen and actors and ditch diggers and dog breeders and garbage collectors and tea tasters and pianists and anything but newspaper men—who, we all know, are above reproach ever and always, amen. The trouble is that we cannot solve this insurance problem on the basis of suspicion, accusation or annihilation.

It won't get us far to attack this problem by calling someone a crook. Let's hope the special session of the General Court will not waste time on that old-fashioned political stuff. Let's hope the legislators will get down to what are called cases. If the weather would only keep up the way it has been through the middle of this past week we might expect the lawmakers to hasten through with their job, because there is no incentive to academic debate under temperatures in the nineties.

The best basis for expecting something conclusive from this special session is indicated in the governor's words—that the Legislature "needed the shock of these proposed rates." Whether the Legislature in its regular session ought to have "done something" is beside the point. The fact is that it did not. The second fact is that it is likely to do something now; but what? It may follow the suggestion of Mr. Goodwin, and establish the 1931 rates to hold over for 1932, and appoint a commission to work out a solution. That is a common means of exit from a dilemma. When you don't know what to do, appoint a commission.

Merit or Demerit Plan?

Maybe someone will burst forth with a "merit" plan in place of the suggested "demerit" plan. It has long seemed to this writer that the way to

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attack this problem is through a merit plan, under which a motorist might earn a preferred rate by a continued record free from accidents. We outlined such a plan long ago in this column—not of our own invention, but as the product of a man who knows a great deal about insurance. The idea, briefly, is that a certain basic maximum rate be established, all new drivers to be so assessed. At the end of one year without accident, automatically he gets a slight reduction. After an added year of clean record, he graduates into a still preferred class, with a greater reduction. The details could be easily worked out, and we might get a law under which the driver with a five-year record free from accident would get a very small rate indeed. That would keep the burden on the drivers who have the accidents, and would provide a constant incentive to every driver to keep his record clear, and to lengthen that clean record. Every month of careful, and successfully careful, driving, would put dollars into his own pocket.

This suggested plan seems to us quite different from any demerit plan—because it runs with the natural current of human nature, and applies the old saw that you can catch more flies with molasses than with vinegar. Stop shaking fists at all motorists indiscriminately, stop telling them that if they don't look out they are going to be slammed over the head, stop threatening them—and instead tell them that if they do good jobs of driving the state will reward them by giving them the benefit of lower rates. Reward instead of penalize. Maybe it comes to the same thing in dollars and cents, but we believe it would make a good deal of difference in driving.

The average conscientious motorist nowadays is getting into the frame of mind to feel that he is a sort of crook, that every time he goes out on the highway he is doing something that is reprehensible and that the eyes of the law are suspiciously upon him. Why not give him a pat on the back—and not with a sledge hammer?

Whether the Legislature will confine itself to this one matter, no one knows. We know of at least one preparation that is being made to get some legislation out of this special session—quite proper legislation, we believe; but there may be some element of danger in establishing or strengthening the idea that a special session called for an emergency matter may be turned into an extra general legislative session. We now have biennial elections, instead of annual; and efforts have been made, without success, to get biennial sessions instead of annual. If we plant the thought that extra sessions for general legislative purposes are feasible, we shall be going in the opposite direction.

Strange Bedfellows

Setting aside consideration of the merits of this controversy, and its probable or possible results in legislation, there are one or two inferences or conclusions to be drawn from the situation, which have an essentially political significance. In the first place, it has made some strange bed-fellows. For instance, we find the mayor of Boston and the governor in curious accord, even though we might, if suspicious, discern in the mayor's expressed approval of the governor's special session plan a hint that he it was who pushed the governor into action. Things being as they are, it is logical to expect that both Mr. Ely and Mr. Curley will try to make political capital out of the situation—and there is no reason why they should not do so. It is quite legitimate.

Also, we find a curious accord between Alvan T. Fuller and Frank A. Goodwin, who have not often lately been in agreement.

Looking at the obvious politics in the situation, one might almost say that the 1932 campaign is being contested right now; first, because the governor's very proper tactics may result in the elimination of this issue from the governorship contest next year; and second because a successful outcome of the present operations might immeasurably strengthen Mr. Ely's chances not only for the nomination but for the election. If the Ely leadership succeeds in solving this insurance problem, which his Republican predecessors did not solve, then he will be well on the way towards a second term.

Solution of outstanding problems is mighty good political capital. Governor Ely got action on the Elevated, and whatever the ultimate blessings or otherwise from that, he can properly, and probably will, say that he got results where his Republican predecessors did not. Now he seems determined to do the same thing with automobile insurance. Nothing succeeds like success.

There is another item in this matter which offers a hint to political aspirants—the use of the radio in a very adroit manner. The governor more or less summoned the public to his side when he went on the air for two successive evenings and took the people of the state into his confidence. We all of us like to be noticed—it's human to be that way. Who can say how much of a hold the governor got on the hearts of the people by talking right to them? And if this was a good plan in the case of automobile insurance, why not in all other matters? It seems to us, and it has long seemed to us, that any governor might greatly strengthen his administration, and increase its efficiency for public service, by talking over the state's problems frankly with the people by way of the radio at not too frequent intervals.

Brockton Enterprise 9/15/31

A detail of 50 police officers will be present to-day at the Franklin Park golf course when Francis Ouimet, amateur golf champion of the United States, plays with Mayor Curley as a partner. The attendance of the officers was arranged by Park Commissioner William Long, through the police department. A luncheon at the Franklin Park refectory will open the festivities at 1 P. M., during which Mrs. Ouimet will be presented with a tea set.

LOWELL TELEGRAM
9/13/31

The Five-Day Week on City Work

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, who is nursing a highly developed case of gubernatorial itch, now comes to bat with the project to establish a five-day week schedule for city laborers at the Hub with a six-day week rating on the payroll. The ostensible purpose of this arrangement, of course, is to relieve the unemployment situation in some degree. While the object may be most laudable, the method suggested savors more strongly of politics than of an altriustic effort to help the community as a whole.

The idea of distributing public employment over a wider field by further limitation of the periods of employment of those now on the payrolls, is wholly in keeping with the need of the times, but increases in compensation of well paid public employes enjoying the boon of steady work, are preposterous in the existing circumstances. Had His Honor proposed a five-day week with a five-day wage, he would offer something constructive, and his plan would meet with almost unanimous approval. Thereby, employment would be afforded to 16 per. cent. more workers and no additional burden would be imposed upon the taxpayers. Incidentally, because of the lower prices of the necessities of life, the loss of one day's employment each week would entail a minimum of sacrifice for the regular workers who now are privileged to collect six days' pay on the basis of war-time wages. As an aspirant for the governorship, however, Mayor Curley was not inclined to ask this slight concession from the men in the municipal service, probably deeming it more expedient, politically, to saddle added financial responsibility upon the goats of all public emergencies, the taxpayers.

Were the five-day week to be inaugurated in the Lowell street department, the actual gain for the unemployed would be but one-half a day a week for each worker now regularly employed, as local street department workers are employed but 44 hours a week, though receiving 48 hours' pay. The working time was reduced a few years ago without any reduction in wages, the change being legalized by raising the hourly rate of compensation. When 48 hours constituted a week's work in this department, the daily wage was $5; under the 44 hour schedule it is $5.20. Unlike Boston, there is no six-day week in the local street department. Hence, the opportunities of increasing the working force by adopting the five-day week are comparatively limited.

In any case, the adoption of the five-day week is calculated to raise new problems, one of which concerns the annual vacations of city laborers. To be eligible to a vacation of two weeks without loss of pay, the law requires that a laborer shall have worked at least 32 weeks of 48 hours during the previous year. Consequently, a Lowell laborer who has been employed only 32 weeks does not meet this requirement, for he has worked 128 hours less than the law stipulates. With a five-day working week (40 hours), it would be necessary for a laborer to work more than 38 weeks to give the equivalent in service of 32 48-hour weeks. This is a situation that will have to be met under the Curley plan, and it is not impossible that the shorter working week also might have some bearing on the term of service essential to pension eligibility.

But considering the plan in a general way, it may be said that it requires no great intellect, no masterly leadership to provide extra employment through the medium of additional taxes. The veriest tyro can do that. The official worth while is he that can make the existing resources cover more ground without working an injustice to anybody. Yet this is quite possible in the public service.

GLOUCESTER TIMES 9/16/31

OVERPRODUCTION

Mayor Curley says that overproduction has caused world wide depression. Roger Babson says there is no such thing as overproduction; the trouble is under-consumption. When we look at the facts we find it difficult to believe that the world has produced more wheat than it can eat. It is underconsumption in India and China which has created a deficit. A change to the gold standard in China has decreased the buying capacity of China, already lessened by war and flood, by at least two-thirds. So wheat rots in our bins, while the Chinese starve. To imagine that the suffering poor of England and Europe have all the clothes they need is ridiculous. They have not the money to buy our cotton. It is underconsumption which creates our surplus of cotton.

We still think the world can consume all it can produce. The difficulty lies more in distribution. The whole subject is of course most complicated and every decade some new factor upsets all previous calculations and statistics. The world-wide lowering of the price level has made more trouble than the lowering of 10 feet in the ocean would do. The fact that no article is worth as much as it was two years ago, has puzzled, depressed and paralyzed hundreds of thousands. All sense of values is confused. Inventories have varied like the ocean waves in a storm. Firms have been ruined by the lower value of stocks in hand. No power can seem to check or control this changing of the price level. About all business men can do is to hold on as a ship does in a storm until times are better.

Mass production may not be good for us. Its vast economies may not be worth its dislocation of local markets. Mass production must be for the world, and not for one nation. A better day for smaller productive units is coming. There is much lost motion in the great corporations of which literally it may be said that their right hand knoweth not what the left hand doeth. The depression marks an epoch, and our experts must plan for a new era.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE
9/16/31

TO PLAY EXHIBITION GAME

BOSTON, Sept. 16 (AP)—The Boston Red Sox and Braves will play an exhibition game for the benefit of the unemployed September 23 at Braves field. The proceeds will go to Mayor James M. Curley's unemployment fund. Scheduling of the game was made possible by a telegram from Connie Mack today giving his consent to putting over the game scheduled between the Red Sox and Athletics in Philadelphia that day to later in the week as part of a doubleheader.

NORTHAMPTON GAZETTE 9/15/31

WOULD ABOLISH CHILD LABOR TO AID EMPLOYMENT

Boston, Sept. 14.—(AP)—The abolition of child labor and the inauguration of the five day week in industry were advanced as unemployment remedies before the opening session today of the 76th convention of the International Typographical Union of North America.

James T. Moriarty, president of the Massachusets State Federation of Labor, said, "Take the children between the ages of 10 and 16 years out of industry and thereby make jobs for their fathers."

Mayor James M. Curley in welcoming the convention to Boston urged delegates to help "stop America from wandering around in circles as it has been doing for the past two years. Faith is all right, but it will never keep a man from starving to death. The sooner that some of the preachers of have faith in America' put the five-day week into effect the sooner starving men will be able to earn a day's pay."

Leo F. Greene, president of Boston Typographical Union, No. 13, opened the convention and then turned the gavel over to Charles P. Howard, international president. James W. Reardon, associate editor of the Boston American, extended the greetings of newspaper publishers of Boston.

Nearly 5,000 delegates and their friends are here for the convention which is meeting in the Hotel Bradford.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/17/31

Mayor Curley On Informal Visit

The bad weather put a crimp into the official visit of Mayor James M. Curley to the Brockton Fair to-day. The Boston mayor was to have arrived at about 2 o'clock, but owing to the inclemency of the weather the official visitation gave way to an informal visit. Mayor Bent arranged to meet Mayor Curley at the gate at 3 o'clock and escort him about the grounds and show him the sights.

The advisability of having Mayor Curley come out to the fair had been under discussion throughout the day. In the morning Mayor Curley called Mayor Bent and after a conversation it was decided that Mayor Bent should meet with fair officials and make a decision. The conference was held at noon and after a deliberation it was agreed that the official visit be called off. Mayor Curley was informed and he said he would not be here. Fifteen minutes later [illegible] said he would come

FRAMINGHAM NEWS 9/17/31

Full Decade of Unbroken Service to Be Celebrated

Radio Station WBZ Will Give Pretentious Program

Climaxing a decade of unbroken service to the New England public, Westinghouse station WBZ will tomorrow night go on the air with the most pretentious program in all its history. The evening's broadcast which celebrates the station's historic beginnings at East Springfield, Mass., ten years ago, will be highlighted by the dedication of new anniversary studios at the Hotel Bradford in Boston.

More than 600 guests have been invited to attend the broadcast celebration which will open at 9.30 with messages of greeting from President Hoover, Governor Ely, Mayor Curley of Boston, Mayor Winter of Springfield and from many other distinguished figures in New England officialdom.

Following hard upon the speaking program will come a musical barrage introducing half a dozen dance bands, symphony, concert and vocal groups, blues, ballad singers and crooners. Unprecedented both in time and talent dimensions, the program will bring to listeners a continuous 3-hour show of sparkling microphonics assembled from the four corners of radio stardom. On into the midnight hours, through dawn until late the following evening, WBZ will regale a far-flung audience with the premier in radio divertissements.

Standing out among the features of the evening's festivities will be the carving of a huge WBZ birthday cake by Miss Mary Curley, daughter of the mayor. A description of this scene will be afforded listeners by one of a special staff of 10 announcers.

At 11 a network of NBC stations will be set up to carry the anniversary program to other parts of the United States. In the hour following midnight the National Broadcasting Company will broadcast from New York a special salute to New England's oldest radio station and the most venerable broadcaster on any network in the world excepting KDKA. This tribute will feature all-star Broadwayites and dance bands and will also bring to the microphone several former members of the staff of WBZ, now serving at NBC.

These include John Shaw Young, Howard A. Petrie, Vella C. Reeves, Alwyn E. W. Bach, John W. Holbrook, Kenneth C. MacGregor and William G. Lundell.

Foremost among the features contributed from the Boston and Springfield studios is the "pops" program to be played by a salon group composed of members of the Boston Symphony orchestra under the direction of Samuel Seiniger. Besides this stellar attraction there will be others of strong appeal, notably the Tentatones, one of Greater Boston's leading trios (male); Joe Rines' Show Boat orchestra, Leo Reiman's Egyptian Room orchestra, Hotel Bradford orchestra, Falvey's orchestra and two studio jazz bands.

Boston artists appearing include Polly Willis, lyric soprano; Orrin White, baritone; Doris Tirrell, pianist; Tod Doolittle, crooner; Peg La Centra, blues singer; Aidan Redmond, baritone; Edward MacHugh, baritone; Eddie Lord and Harry Foisey, organists. Frederick G. Rogers. Pittsburgh baritone, will sing and he is also able to give greetings for KDKA to its New England sister station.

Additional featurese include a musical salute to New England business, agriculture and industry and to those aiding its growth, which is to be broadcast as the "Parade of Progress." During the early morning hours the anniversary program will be dedicated to DX listeners and foreign tuners when a serenade by dance bands will be carried under the banner "Around the World with WIXAZ."

LAWRENCE EAGLE 9/17/31

OUIMET AND CURLEY WIN MATCH 5 AND 4

BOSTON, Sept. 16 (AP) — Francis Ouimet, new national amateur golf champion, paired with Mayor James M. Curley today to win a foursome which was part of the city's celebration of his victory. After a luncheon given by the city at the Scarboro Golf Club the mayor and the champion defeated Fred J. Wright, Jr., state champion, and Chauncey Williams, 5 and 4 in an 18-hole match.

BROCKTON TIMES 9/15/31

New Course Named for George Wright

According to an announcement by Mayor Curley at the Ouimet luncheon at Franklin park yesterday, the municipal golf course now under construction at West Roxbury will be known as the George Wright golf course.

Wright, who is 84 years old, is the father of golf in this section. He is still fit and plays 18 holes regularly.

N. BEDFORD STANDARD 9/14/31

A Change of Tune

Administration officials are said to be disturbed about the "overexaggerated idea in the public mind concerning conditions of distress likely to prevail in the country during the coming winter."

If there has been exaggeration, it is partly the administration's fault, because President Hoover, by his actions and his utterances, has given the impression that the coming winter would be worse than the last. It was to prepare for this eventuality that he created the committee of which Mr. Gifford is the head. Indeed, the President appeared to take such a gloomy view of the outlook that Mayor Curley called him the country's "champion gasoline pourer," although Curley himself has since joined the band wagon with others who foresee the worst.

The change of heart—perhaps change of tune would be more accurate—at Washington probably is in response to complaints that the stressing of the hard winter has a disheartening effect on the public mind and discourages spending. This is a reasonable view, as people who have money and a need for goods are made apprehensive about their own jobs and therefore afraid to buy.

Sad to relate, the politicians are the chief offenders in presenting a depressing view of the situation.

Many of them regard the country's distress chiefly as so much political capital, by the use of which they can get some advantage for themselves or put somebody else in a hole. The man who asserts that a great suffering impends either wishes the people to believe that his heart bleeds for them, and that he will remedy matters if only given a chance; or else his purpose is to imply that the opposite party is doing nothing to relieve the situation. Some people are undoubtedly fooled in this way, but the more probable consequence is to perpetuate the feeling of fear which is an obstacle to a business revival.

N. BEDFORD STANDARD 9/15/31

A Taxpayers' Strike

An idea for the imagination to play with is offered by President Thomas J. Cudmore of the Massachusetts Real Estate Owners' Association. Assailing Mayor Curley's plan of a five-day week for city employes, Mr. Cudmore urged members of the association to refuse to pay their taxes if it were put into effect. "That is our one best weapon," he said, "a taxpayers' strike."

We are not so sure of that. If all owners of real estate refused to pay taxes the immediate consequences to the municipality would be disastrous. The real estate levy is the major part of the local tax. Without the money the city could not retire its temporary loans. It would be a year before the property of the delinquents could be sold for taxes, and there would be no certainty then of the money's being secured, because there might not be any buyers, and the city would have to bid the various parcels in.

In such a situation some way would be found, of course, to carry on municipal activities. The question is what would happen to the property owners. A taxpayers' strike would be a revolution, and when you start a revolution over one thing, it is hard to prevent other people joining in over other things and, perhaps, taking your revolution away from you and giving it a turn that you don't want. Pressed too far, a strike by taxpayers would soon become a menace to the private ownership of land—and the real estate owners would wish they hadn't.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 9/21/31

FIREMEN TO ATTEND CONVENTION IN LYNN

Capt. Joseph J. Malone to Be Official Delegate to Session Beginning Tomorrow.

A large delegation of local firemen will attend the 52nd annual convention of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association which will be held in Lynn tomorrow, Wednesday and Thursday, with the business sessions to be held in the Ocean House, Swampscott. Capt. Joseph J. Malone, honorary vice president, will head the local delegation and will be the only one empowered to vote on matters, but the others from Lowell will listen in at the meetings and take part in the general good time arranged for them.

Chief Edward E. Chase of Lynn and Chief James Warnock of Swampscott will act as hosts to the convention. President James S. Koen, deputy chief of the Salem Fire department, will open the first session at 2.30 Tuesday afternoon.

There will be addresses of welcome by Mayor J. Fred Manning, of Lynn; Timothy A. Curtin, president of the Lynn City Council; State Senator William F. Shanahan, and R. Wyer Greene, chairman of the Swampscott Board of Selectmen.

At the Wednesday afternoon session the speakers will include Mayor James M. Curley of Boston; Attorney General Joseph E. Warner; State Fire Marshal John W. Reth; William H. O'Brien of the Department of Public Utilities; Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin of Boston; former-Mayor Ralph S. Bauer of Lynn; Peter E. Carr, Commissioner of Public Safety, Lawrence; former-Fire Commissioner Theodore A. Glynn of Boston, and W. E. Leighton of the Bureau of Explosives. The annual memorial address will be given by Rev. George W. Casey of Swampscott. The Ladies' Auxiliary, headed by Mrs. Flora C. Day of Lynn, will meet during the convention, which will end Thursday with an election of officers.

CAPT. JOSEPH J. MALONE

NEWBURYPORT NEWS
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OVERP DUCTION.

Mayor Curley says that overproduction has caused world-wide depression. Roger Babson says there is no such thing as over-production; the trouble is under-consumption. When we look at the facts we find it difficult to believe that the world has produced more wheat than it can eat. It is under-consumption in India and China which has created a deficit. A change to the gold standard in China has decreased the buying capacity of China, already lessened by war and flood, by at least two-thirds. So wheat rots in our bins while the Chinese starve. To imagine that the suffering poor of England and Europe have all the clothes they need is ridiculous. They have not the money to buy our cotton. It is under-consumption which creates our surplus of cotton.

We still think the world can consume all it can produce. The difficulty lies more in distribution. The whole subject is of course most complicated and every decade some new factor upsets all previous calculations and statistics. The world wide lowering of the price level has made more trouble than the lowering of 10 feet in the ocean would do. The fact that no article is worth as much as it was two years ago has puzzled, depressed and paralyzed hundreds of thousands. All sense of values is confused. Inventories have varied like the ocean waves in a storm. Firms have been ruined by the lower value of stocks in hand. No power can seem to check or control this changing of the price level. About all business men can do is to hold on as a ship does in a storm until times are better.

Mass production may not be good for us. Its vast economies may not be worth its dislocation of local markets. Mass production must be for the world and not for one nation. A better day for smaller productive units is coming. There is much lost motion in the great corporations of which literally it may be said that the right hand knoweth not what the left hand doeth. The depression marks an epoch, and our experts must plan for a new era.

MILFORD NEWS 9/17/31

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SPRINGFIELD REP. 9/15/31

BETTER DIVISION OF WEALTH URGED

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NO. ADAMS TRANSCRIPT 9/15/31

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BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/15/31

Curley Looms Strong As Opponent to Ely

Boston Mayor Making Bid for Gubernatorial Nomination Through 'Five Day Week' Plan---Governor Makes Shrewd Move.

Boston, Sept. 15.—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston intends to contest with Gov. Joseph B. Ely for the democratic nomination for governor in the primaries to be held in September of next year.

While many have suspected for a long time that Boston's mayor had designs on the gubernatorial chair, some have believed that he might yield to a desire for party harmony, and permit the present chief executive an uncontested nomination. All doubt as to Curley's plans were removed, however, when he delivered a Labor day address last Monday and announced to the world that the "five-day week" will be put in operation in Boston in January.

This purpose to afford all municipal employes a weekly holiday will be the chief plank in the mayor's platform; he will utilize it to the utmost throughout the commonwealth, and it is expected to attract to his support not only those who will benefit by it in the city of Boston, but in every other city and town as well, as he will point out that what he has done as mayor for the workers in Boston, he will be able as governor to do for all public employes, whether in the service of the commonwealth or of other cities and towns. It will carry strong appeal to those who will thus have their leisure time doubled, and also to those who will be given employment to fill the places of workers on their days off. It is estimated that in Boston alone, additional places will be provided for about 800 employes.

Opposition to Plan.

Already there are signs that the mayor will not be permitted to put his plan into operation in Boston; taxpaying interests are in open rebellion against it, on the ground that it will add nearly $1,000,000 to the annual cost of operating the city, and if any legal way can be found to prevent its adoption, the aid of the courts will doubtless be invoked to closed in June, there will be no result from their deliberations.

A large number of proposed changes in the law were suggested at the regular legislative session, but early in their deliberations a majority of the members decided that they would make no changes whatever in the statute, and none was given serious consideration, except by the committee on insurance, which reported a quasi-financial responsibility bill, and by the ways and means committee of the Senate, which substituted for that measure one embodying the demerit plan suggested by Gov. Ely. This demerit plan, incidentally, received five votes in the Senate, and did not come to a vote in the lower branch.

Gov. Ely has expressed the opinion that the special legislative session should not continue more than three days, but if it is decided to attempt to prepare a workable substitute for the present law, the session may continue for at least three weeks.

No more complicated issue has ever come before the legislature; a large majority of the members know little or nothing about it, yet each and every one is forced by political exigency to take an active interest in it, and at least to make gestures to convince his constituents that he has their interests at heart.

Under the circumstances it will be little short of a miracle if the governor can demonstrate his leadership to the extent of inducing a majority in both branches to agree upon any substitute for the present law, and the general opinion is that the only product of the special session will be the passage of an act authorizing the appointment of another commission—and there have already been three—to give the problem further study.

circumvent the mayor's plan. From his point of view, it will probably be to his advantage to be thwarted, for then he will be able to tell all public employes that he tried to do something for them, while to every unemployed person in the State he will be able to say that a job would have been found for him, or her, had Curley been allowed to have his way.

Unquestionably the mayor has created an issue which will win many thousands of votes for him, and there can be no gainsaying the fact that with this issue, supplemented by the power of his office and his own personal appeal, he will be a formidable candidate, and one who will force friends of the present governor to perform yeoman service in the event that he decides to seek renomination.

But Gov. Ely appears to have rare ability to match cunning with cunning, as was evidenced this week by his masterly handling of the motor vehicle insurance problem. His republican predecessors, Govs. Fuller and Allen, by interfering with the commissioners of insurance in their task of establishing rates, permitted themselves to be placed in positions of responsibility for the results; Gov. Ely, on the other hand, has completely divorced himself from the issue by pointing out that Insurance Commissioner Brown has done only that which he is required under the law to do, and by putting the rate issue squarely up to the Legislature, where it belongs. As the governor pointed out, it is the law which is responsible for the rates, and only the legislature can change the law.

No Change Likely.

Accordingly the legislature will assemble in special session, probably on Monday, Sept. 28, and will again take up the problem, but unless the members have undergone a considerable change of mind since the session

N. BEDFORD MERCURY 9/15/31

TYPOS OPEN CONVENTION AT BOSTON

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BROCKTON TIMES 9/17/31

MAYOR CURLEY IS FAIR GUEST THIS AFTERNOON

Today Is Boston Day and Many Bostonians Attend Despite Rain.

Urges Support of New England Agriculture by State Supply Departments.

Today is Boston day at the fair.

The day has been one of the leading days of the annual Brockton fair observances. Throngs of our Boston neighbors annually declare a holiday for the purpose of renewing friendships in this city in and through contact with the fair.

The principal guest of the day was to be His Honor Mayor James M. Curley of Boston. Mayor Curley, members of his family and party and state police escort were invited to the fair as special guests of Fred F. Field, president of the Brockton Agricultural society and the City of Brockton.

It was announced this morning from Mayor Curley's office at Boston that the weather was poor in Boston with a heavy rain falling. Secretary Barasso said that Mayor Curley would come to the fair if the weather later improved. It did and the mayor was due here at 3.

Proposes Support of N. E. Farmers

Mayor Curley was scheduled to give an address at the fair, this afternoon, weather permitting. He had prepared an address dealing with the importance of agriculture in general and to New England in particular.

He detailed how the city dweller and the farmer are dependent upon one another, and spoke of the poultry and egg business, also gardening and dairying, also cattle.

He said that New England has more disease-free poultry flocks than any other section of the United States.

He referred to his own efforts to encourage the business of local milk producers, also for improving market conditions for the sale of local garden produce.

Among other things he said:

"Although it is not my intention at a time like this to criticize the practice of others and encourage unnecessary expense, I should like to raise a question that might be worthy of constructive thought:

"Whereas, the public institutions maintained by the City of Boston are relatively small and are doing their bit toward helping the New England farmer, it seems to me that the supply departments of our New England states are missing a great opportunity to encourage New England agriculture and greatly increase the purchasing power of the New England farmer by not directing that state supported institutions and hospitals shall meet at least a substantial part of their requirements from New England agriculture."

He said the Brockton fair is more than a local event. It is part of a national institution—a living monument to the oldest and greatest of all our industrial activities—agriculture.

"No one can wander through the cattle exhibits on this fair ground without being impressed by an excellence of quality unequalled anywhere," he added.

In closing he said:

"I bring to the city of Brockton, on its golden anniversary as a city, the congratulations of the metropolitan city of New England."

As in former years special arrangements for transportation were made by the New Haven railroad and the street railway and bus officials. From early morning despite the rainy and threatening weather the early trains and buses carried many visiting Bostonians on their way to the annual visit at the fair.

Because of the importance of the day there was a marvelous program arranged all around for the Boston visitors. In the horse show ring the prize stock of the world was on exhibition. On the track the fastest horses which have been on the grand circuit all season. In the exhibition halls there was a mass of the most gorgeous grange and garden exhibits which were a delight to the patrons. Many breeds

PITTSFIELD EAGLE 9/17/31

Unusual also is Boston's police commissioner, Eugene C. Hultman, an engineer, not a politician, and interested in making it possible for the citizen who wants a policeman to get one.

He says: "Unless a citizen anywhere in Boston can get a policeman within two minutes after all my new signals are in working order, I shall consider myself a failure." This writer at police signal station pulled down a little hook, and this happened:

Three policemen came on motorcycles, a patrol wagon rolled up, two policemen came in an automobile, carrying a fire extinguisher, and all in less than three minutes. Mayors and police commissioners of other cities may want to ask Commissioner Hultman and Mayor Curley of Boston about that.

This is one of Mayor Curley's many busy days, and you would not willingly disturb him. He was presenting prizes on the municipal golf links, with a mellifluous speech with each prize. Later he played a round with Ouimet as his partner, against Chauncey Williams and Fred Wright. Mr. Williams is the Sears Roebuck manager, Mr. Wright is an expert player. The odds were on Mayor Curley and Ouimet.

It is pleasing, as you pass Mayor Curley's red brick residence on Jamaica Way, to observe an indestructible shamrock hanging in each window.

When you visit Boston, secure if possible on your explorations the companionship of Police Lieutenant O'Dea. Two police motorcycles go ahead of him, traffic and obstacles melt away.

If Dante had had such a guide in place of Virgil, he would have seen Paradise, Purgatory, and the infernal regions, with Satan at the bottom in half a day.

BROCKTON TIMES 9/17/31

Boston Officials Honor Ouimet

Francis Ouimet, graceful, smiling national amateur golf champion, received the plaudits of his admiring Bostonians at a luncheon tendered by Mayor James M. Curley at Franklin Park yesterday. After the private reception, at which representatives of the army, navy, judiciary, department of education, and golfdom in general paid personal homage, His Honor the Mayor teamed with His Honor the Champion to defeat Fred Wright, state champion, and Chauncey S. Williams, New England manager of Sears Roebuck, 5 and 3, in a four-ball match.

QUINCY NEWS 9/17/31

Donahue Sees '32 Big Year For Democrats

Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic state committee, predicted a Democratic president and the return of Gov. Joseph B. Ely to office in his address before the Quincy Women's Democratic club in Bradford hall, Quincy Center, last night.

Donahue didn't mince his words in his brief reference to the tactics of those who have associated Gov. Roosevelt of New York with Tammany Hall the same as was done in the Smith campaign.

"Smith and Tammany are as far apart as myself and Mayor Curley," Donahue stated.

"I don't know who is going to be the presidential candidate but he is going to win."

Donahue paid his respects to the Republican administration at Washington and said he had never seen so many business men so disgusted with a man who was said to be a great business executive as they are with President Hoover.

He said he was presented as a great engineer and that Senator James Reid had proclaimed him one recently when he said that Hoover had ditched and drained the greatest country in the world in less than 2½ years.

Claims Hoover Over-touted

"Personally I don't blame Hoover for all the depression," he said, "but he was over-touted by the Republicans. "If he hadn't been built up so much he wouldn't have had so far to fall," commented Donahue.

Donahue said the Democrats have ceased making speeches, as formerly understood, and that what success the party has had in Massachusetts has been due to organization and said if there is any place in the Commonwealth where it is needed it is in Quincy.

In 1909 James H. Vahey came within 94 votes of winning from Gov. Draper, said Donahue, and 21 years later Ely lost the city and so did Smith, by a vote of over 5300. Quincy has not progressed in that time.

He said the abolition of party designations, designed by the Republicans to put an end to Democratic organization has affected that party more than the latter. He spoke of the need of registration and said that in the Curley-Fuller campaign it was again discovered that the people of the state wouldn't vote for a Boston democrat for governor.

Donahue said young voters were indifferent and difficult to get registered.

He declared that next year there will be fewer rallies and less money spent. He also said it was going to be an effort to raise money for both parties and stated the Republican party is assessing districts in an attempt to make up a deficit of more than $150,000 that remains on its books. He placed the Democratic deficit at less than $20,000.

In his opinion it will be well for parties to be obliged to get along with less money, much of which is wasted. He believes there should be a law against bringing voters to the polls and that those unable to vote should have the same privilege of casting a ballot as those who are absent from the state.

Chairman Donahue was given frequent applause and a rising vote of confidence at the close of his address.

Miss Theresa Kilroy, chairman of the commitee, presided. There were violin solos by Miss Mary Quinn and vocal solos by Mrs. William Maloney, with Miss Mary Fryar at the piano.

WAKEFIELD ITEM 9/17/31

Mayor Curley, at Propeller Club luncheon, says he will ask Congress for $40,000,000 for Boston harbor improvement.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 9/17/31

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BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/17/31

Mr. Curley's Constituents Call.

BOSTON came to the Brockton Fair to-day. Charlestown and Beacon Hill, South Boston and Jamaicaway, and every section of New England's first and foremost city increased the crowds clicking through turnstiles. Cash customers, smart and well styled as the yacht from which Boston's mayor views Buzzards bay in his infrequent hours of leisure, they made every detail and department of the fair bigger and busier.

Boston day, big and active, a confluence of vigorous currents, suggests Boston itself. Hark back 10, 20 or 30 years. Always the great day at the fair, noisier, more enlivening, more embued with the wholesome democracy of the outdoors, was the day on which the Hub's 800,000 looked at the blue sky and sunshine and decided to see the chickens and pumpkins down at Brockton. Without their friendly and neighborly interest, saying it with cash as well as compliments, the institution conceived and carried forward by the enterprise and teamwork of a smaller city could not have been pushed on to distinction.

Brockton freely acknowledges the debt. Boston day is a fixture in the fair's calendar, not alone for what it means at the box office but for what it implies in terms of friendship. Mr. Curley and his constituents are welcome with the informal heartiness which goes only to old friends. They have been a part and a prop of the fair so long that it is as much theirs as ours.

PORTLAND PRESS-HERALD 9/17/31

Boston Luncheon Honors Ouimet With Mayor Curley As The Host



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Special Despatch to The Press Herald

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Prominent among those present were Chauncey S. Williams, general manager of the New England Division of the Sears-Roebuck Company; Mrs. Ouimet; Fred J. Wright, Jr., Massachusetts amateur golf champion; Capt. Clarence Abele, U. S. N.; Major L. M. Wheeler, U. S. A.; Miss Mary Curley, the Mayor's daughter; Joseph McGrath; Gen. Edward L. Logan; George Wright, the founder of golf in America; Edmund L. Dolan, director of public celebrations; Edmund P. Longley, former vice president of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company; James E. O'Connell; Senato Walter G. Kendall, famus bicyclist; and scores of others prominent in sports, city government and business.

The luncheon was followed by a speech by the Mayor honoring Francis Ouimet on his recent winning of the national amateur golf championship and the presentation of Mrs. Ouimet of a unique set of hand-painted china. The Mayor then presented Mr. Ouimet, on behalf of Mr. Williams, with a set of tires for the new car given to him by fellow members of the Woodland Golf Club.

Mr. Williams then made a brief humorous address to the Mayor, concluding by awarding him a golf bag donated by the Sears-Roebuck Company for "the shortest drive" in the recent contest on the Franklin Park golf course.

The Mayor presented the prizes to 16 winners of the recent tournament and shortly afterward a 18-hole exhibition match got away from the first tee, Mr. Williams and Mr. Wright against Mayor Curley and Mr. Ouimet. A gallery estimated at 2,000 followed the match, in which Williams and Wright were defeated 2 and 1. Ouimet had a brilliant 36 on the incoming nine.

Mr. Williams is expected in Portland Friday by air from Boston to inspect the new Sears-Roebuck store in Portland.

WALTHAM NEWS-TRIBUNE 9/17/31

DUANE WANTS SENATOR WALSH FOR PRESIDENT

Mayor Duane yesterday declined to accede to the request of Mayor Curley of Boston that he get behind Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York as the Democratic party's nominee for president next year.

In his reply to the Boston executive, Mayor Duane, while expressing his personal admiration for the Empire State g overnor, said that as a citizen of Massachusetts he would urge the presidential candidacy Senator David I. Walsh.

Mayor Curley stressed the fact that Governor Roosevelt's sweeping victory in New York last year had "caught the sympathetic attention of the people of the entire nation. To which Mayor Duane replied that "from past history we should not depend too much upon the steadfastness of New York, either for our candidates or our political principles."

LOWELL-COURIER-CITIZEN 9/17/31

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QUINCY NEWS 9/18/31

Blushing Hub to Pay $1000 For Its Modesty

Boston (UP)—Boston will be modest, even if it does cost $1000.

Mayor James M. Curley has ordered stone masons to drape a granite ribbon over nude statuary above the entrance to the new $100,000 Mission Hill public library.

This followed complaints from Roxbury residents that the carvings, depicting two unclad youths guarding the city seal, were immodest.

Though granite fig leaves probably would have been cheaper, the mayor, after inspecting the statuary, deemed it advisable to add the ribbon, expected to cost $1000.

WOR. TEL. 9/18/31

CURLEY'S SON OUT FOR EAGLE ELEVEN

Special to the Telegram

CHESTNUT HILL, Sept. 17.—Paul Curley, son of Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, was one of the 40 odd candidates for the Boston College freshman football team who reported to Coach Bill Kelleher this afternoon. Young Curley was a track star at Canterbury Prep, Conn., and is out for one of the backfield positions. The Eagle yearlings open their season a week from tomorrow when they play St. Anselm's Prep here.

WOR. TEL. 9/18/31

...Mayor Curley, heard scores of times by Brocktonians over the radio, had a chance to learn what local residents think of his oratory when he was given a burst of applause after his fine compliment to fair directors for the 1931 exhibition arrangements.

BROCKTON ENTER. 9/18/31

Brockton put on an east wind for Boston day at the fair, just to make conditions homelike for Mr. Curley's folks.

MILFORD NEWS 9/23/31

ELY AND CURLEY AT FUNERAL OF WALSH IN CLINTON TODAY

Clinton, Sept. 23—Gov. Joseph B. Ely and Mayor James M. Curley were among the notables who attended the funeral services of Major Thomas D. Walsh, Democratic party leader, prominent Boston attorney and borther of U. S. Senator David I. Walsh, this morning.

Major Walsh died in a Medford hospital last Sunday, following an operation. He was 57 years. Senator Walsh attended the services with other members of his family. Among others who attended were Judge James Carroll of the Mass. Supreme court, Judge James C. Donnelly of the Massachusetts Superior court and many prominent business associates.

Rev. Charles W. Lyons, former president of Georgetown university and Boston college, officiated.

Enroute from the Walsh home to the church the funeral cortege of automobiles was escorted by a detail of state troopers and local police.

FALL RIVER HERALD-NEWS 9/23/31

TEXAS TO STAGE SHOW IN BOSTON

BOSTON, Sept. 23, (A.P.)—Texas Guiman and her show will appear in the Boston Garden for the benefit of the unemployed under an agreement accepted by Mayor James M. Curley last night.

The flamboyant night club entertainer and her show which was barred in France some months ago and in Waltham this week, have agreed to appear gratis. The management of the Boston Garden has offered the use of the auditorium free of charge and all that remains is for a date to be determined upon.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 9/23/31

MAJOR WALSH LAID TO REST IN CLINTON

Governor Ely Among Hundreds Who Pay Last Tribute to Lawyer

Special Dispatch to The Gazette

CLINTON, Sept. 23.—St. John's church was crowded to overflowing this morning as funeral services were conducted for Maj. Thomas L. Walsh, brother of Sen. David I. Walsh and prominent lawyer, whose death occurred Sunday.

In attendance were Governor Ely, Judge James B. Carroll of Springfield, of the State Supreme court; Judge James C. Donnelly of Worcester, of the Superior court, and hundreds of others prominent in law and business.

A solemn high mass was celebrated by Rev. Charles W. Lyons, former president of Georgetown university and Boston college, and he was assisted by Rev. John P. Sullivan as deacon and Rev. Thomas F. Dillon as sub-deacon.

Although the family requested that flowers be omitted, scores of beautiful pieces from many sections of New England were sent to the home and many more telegrams from all over the country were received.

The body was borne to the altar by eight office associates and close friends, Atty. John E. Swift of Milford, law partner of the deceased; Atty. Declan W. Corcoran of Boston, Atty. Daniel F. O'Connell of Boston, formerly of Fitchburg; Atty. Roscoe Prior of Boston; Atty. Charles F. Campbell of Worcester; Att. Frank P. Ryan of Worcester, Judge Frank W. McCooey of Blacksone and Dr. William F. McNamara of Clinton.

The Boston Bar association was represented by Atty. Herbert Parker of Lancaster, Judge Allan G. Buttrick of Lancaster, Joseph P. Lyons, assistant district attorney; Daniel J. Lyne, assistant district attorney Judge Abraham K. Cohen of the Roxbury Municipal court and Atty. Lothrop Withington of Boston.

The Worcester County Bar association was represented by the following delegation, Judge George E. O'Toole of Clinton, Atty. Albert W. Blackmer, Atty. Charles F. Campbell, Atty. Rufus B. Dodge, Atty. George Avery White, Atty. David Goldstein, Atty. John F. Jandron, Atty. John C. Mahoney, Dist. Atty. Edwin G. Norman, Atty. Charles C. Milton, Atty. John W. Sheehan, Atty. George R. Stobbs, Atty. Charles M. Thayer and Atty. Arthur J. Young, all of Worcester, and Atty. Owen A. Hoban of Gardner.

At St. John's cemetery the commitment service was conducted by Rev. Patrick J. Griffin, pastor of St. John's church.

Arrangements for the funeral were in charge of Judge Thomas H. Connelly of Boston and Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic state committee.

Among those who attended the services were Mayor James M. Curley and daughter, Mary, of Boston; and Mrs. Marcus A. Coolidge of Fitchburg, Adjt. Gen. John H. Agnew, military aide of Governor Ely; Lieut. Gen. Edward L. Logan, Gen. Chas. H. Cole, Judge Emil Fuchs, of the Boston Braves; Judge [illegible] of Brighton, Atty. [illegible] of Boston.

THE TOWN OPTIC 8/29/31



MAYOR JAMES M. CURLEY
FOR GOVERNOR

Mayor James M. Curley will get the vote of every Democratic nurse and their close ones in his campaign for the Democratic nomination of governor. The nurses of the state all are up in arms over the hiring of alien nurses, the most of them coming from Nova Scotia, In fact it is said that they were advertised for in the Canadian newspapers, Dr. Kline, head of the mental disease department is one of the main exponents of this, so we are informed.

And while Gov. Ely is being applauded for his stand against hiring local nurses by leading Republicans headed by B. Loring Young, these gents will be no aid to him when he is fighting to secure the Democratic nomination against the eloquent Mayor Curley who always stands for Home Rule in the dispensation of local courtesies.

Governor Ely is becoming a better Republican day in and day out. Maybe Curley won't go strong next fall.

There isn't much doubt but that Mayor James M. Curley will run for governor. Never was he stronger than at present, with both Republicans and Democrats alike, and this is his big moment if he is to run at all.

There is but little doubt that Curley can win the nomination from Ely even though Ely is in office. Curley is a super man and he can easily sway the Demmies in to line. He was able to talk 84,000 votes to Fitzgerald, even with the Honey Boy out of the fight.

GLOUCESTER TIMES 9/22/31

THE ACID TEST

American fibre will be severely tested this winter when half baked theorists will suggest a thousand fake remedies for depression and unemployment. The real remedy for our troubles is old fashioned thrift and the support of the worthy poor first by the city and then if that task becomes too great, by public subscription. A nation which has given so generously to disasters all over the world will not fail to see that no man in this country goes hungry. Our capitalist system will adjust itself to the emergency, while our wise men seek means to prevent another disaster like this. Our advice, however, is to prepare for an avalanche of foolish remedies offered with a great deal of enthusiasm and ballyhoo. Most of them will be designed to corral the votes of the thoughtless.

We are liable to witness Congress being asked to approve large appropriations for unnecessary work. Mayor Curley wants a five billion loan to relieve unemployment. We are liable to be severely crippled financially for years in order to undertake uneconomic tasks. Beer making as a means of relieving unemployment is a manumental folly, as it would displace as many ginger ale and light drink workers as it would set at work. Five day weeks for privileged classes of workmen is one quack remedy. Impassioned nitwits will approve anything which will put more men to work, no matter whether there is any money to pay them with or not. The outcry against machinery is becoming more pronounced. We may yet hear pleas to smash machinery which displaces men power. We may be asked to give up machine shovels and put men in their stead.

In the past American voters have displayed hard headed common sense in dealing with fake remedies for social ills. They have known enough to follow the advice of able leaders and say no to the demagogue. We believe that this winter they will display the same good judgment. Our present depression is no worse than that of 1893. We need to tighten our belts and grin and bear it without losing our heads. Here is a test of our republican institutions. Here is a test of our ability to restrain and govern ourselves. We need to put down the demagogue and the man who stirs up discontent. We need to get down to our local task of taking care of our own.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 9/23/31

TEXAS GUINAN WILL GIVE BENEFIT SHOW

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BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/18/31

'FANS' CROWD RING; HORSE SHOW GOES ON AS SCHEDULED

Champion Three-Gaited Mare, Likely Lady, Is Defeated by Mountain Echo in Surprise Turnover---Mayor Curley Visits Ring.

Hundreds of horse show lovers proved themselves dyed-in-the-wool fans Thursday, braving the rain to await the opening class. Officials of the show held a conference and rather than disappoint the awaiting audience decided to start in the rain. For a time the flying feet of the spirited horses threw mud in every direction, but it soon cleared, with the audience increasing in size every minute.

The hunter and jumper classes were the attraction for the early comers and despite the heavy footing the horses made a fine showing. Hugh Bancroft, Jr., of Cohasset, started the day right by winning the first blue ribbon with Pop-Over in the handiest hunter class. He also took second award with Fourth Estate. Fred Wettach of Trillora Farm won third place with By Request.

The class for lady's hunter went to Mrs. John Denny's Incomparable, second and third award to entries of Mrs. Harry Frank, Jr., of Warrenville, N. J., and fourth to Bancroft's Cinderella. Mrs. Frank also won first and second prizes for lightweight hunters with Sinbad and Alhaja. Bancroft's Pre-Dennis was third and Honey Boy, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Clifford E. Pratt of North Scituate, was fourth.

Real Battle Royal.

The battle royal between the stables of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Cox of Cohasset, Mrs. Lula Long Coombs of Lee's Summit, Mo., P. J. Lawler of Bala-Cynwyd, Pa., and Mrs. Alvah G. Strong of Alton, N. Y., got an early start in the second class of the day, hackney harness ponies, two pair ponies, 14.2 hands and under. The Cox entries were given the blue ribbon, second going to Mrs. Coombs and third to Mrs. Strong. The second clash was in the heavy harness class and again the Cox entry, Glenavon Trumpeter, was given the blue; Mrs. Coombs' Ovation the red and Mr. Lawler's Celon Forest the yellow ribbon. Mrs. Coombs came to the front in the class for lady's phaeton pair with Adoration and Importation. Lawler's Knight Bachelor and Danum Woodbine were second and third went to Arthur B. Maclay's Killearn Juniper and Killearn Primrose. A short time after Mrs. Coombs won her second blue of the day for hackney harness pair ponies with Fascination and Fashion. The Cox entries, Cassilis Mighty's Mite and Winnie Dal, were given the red ribbon, Lawler's Clarenda and Shirbeck Alice the yellow ribbon and Mrs. Strong's Horse Marines and Brookside Nabob the white ribbon.

Mr. Lawler was not to be denied and came to the front to gather the blue ribbon in the heavy harness pair horses class with Knight Bachelor and Danum Woodbine. Newton Victor and Knight Banerat, owned by Irvine J. and Mary Louise Kitinger of Buffalo, N. Y., were second prize winners, with Maclay's Killearn Juniper and Killearn Primrose third.

Another blue ribbon went to the Cox entry, Glenavon Little King in the class for hackney pony, 14.2 hands and under. Second prize was won by Mrs. Strong's Fusion, third by Lawler's Killegarry Pride.

Treasure Box, Miss Jane Bancroft's favorite pony, won another blue ribbon in the class for ponies 13.2 hands and not over 14.2. Treasure Box is the champion saddle pony of the United States.

The $500 jumper stake, performance only counting, shown over an Olympic course, was won by Fred Wettach, riding By Request of the Trillora Farm. Hugh Bancroft, Jr., won second prize with Cinderella and Johnny Walker of the Troop "G" Horse Show team was third.

David Minton, owned by R. B. Minton and Robert McCray of Barbourville, Ky., stepped out to the blue ribbon in the light harness horse class, driven to a roadster, any height.

For Road Fours.

The four-in-hand class for road fours was won by Mrs. John Russell Gladding and Benjamin Ladd Cook, whose coach also included a cock-horse and rider in the rear.

Hugh Bancroft, Jr., won first prize in the class for hunt teams of three each and second place went to H. Hollon Crowell of Boston. F. Harold Tolman of Cohasset, formerly of Brockton, was third.

The $500 three-gaited saddle horse stake had the largest entry of any event of the day. Twelve horses were shown and the judges were hard put to decide on a winner. Their final judgment came as a surprise for Likely Lady, Miss Jane Bancroft's handsome chestnut mare, was forced to take second award with the blue ribbon going to Mountain Echo from Jane's Place, Eatontown, N. J. Likely Lady has been recognized as the champion three-gaited saddle horse of America and has not been defeated at any top-notch show for years. The set-back for Likely Lady was all the more a surprise in the fact that it was a "dark horse" which defeated her. The favorite choice for first place outside of Miss Bancroft's entry was Whispering Winds, owned by Mrs. Frederick Whaley of Eggertsville, N. Y., but the New York horse was award the third place prize.

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston was a visitor at the horse show ring during this class and got a great kick in watching the beautiful thoroughbreds.

Herbert L. Tinkham was chairman of the horse show ring Thursday and was assisted by Benjamin Ladd Cook, John W. Filoon, C. Harvey Moore and H. Linwood Tinkham, Jr.

Featuring the show to-day will be four $500 stake classes and a saddle horse class for the Copley-Plaza trophy.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 9/16/31

~~Democrats Pledge~~ Aid to Roosevelt

Opposition of Bishop Cannon Noted in Telegram of Club.

Special to The Springfield Union.

BOSTON, Sept. 18—Massachusetts Democracy, under the leadership of Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, will back the presidential aspirations of Franklin D. Roosevelt "to the finish," Francis J. Finneran, president of the Democratic Club of Massachusetts, today informed the New York Governor by telegram.

"Heartiest congratulations," the Finneran telegram read. "Note on Boston press today that Bishop James Cannon, Jr., leader of the forces of intolerance and Republican ally, has declared against your candidacy for President. You should have expected this stand because you led the fight for Al Smith in sickness and in health at the San Francisco, New York and Houston Democratic National Conventions and for that reason we here in Massachusetts, under the leadership of Mayor James M. Curley, whom Senator David I. Walsh has well named the 'Mayor of the Poor,' are with you to the finish."

FALL RIVER HERALD-NEWS 9/18/31

40,000 ATTEND BROCKTON FAIR

Yesterday's Rain Interfered With Patronage—Mayor Curley Among Visitors.

BROCKTON, Sept. 18.—Boston day at the Brockton fair was marred by early showers, less than 30,000 persons being on the grounds during the afternoon. The evening show, however, attracted nearly 10,000 more.

Mayor Curley of Boston was a guest of the fair management. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Mary Curley, Miss Helen Maher of Chicago, John J. Curley, the Mayor's brother, and his daughter, Miss Margaret Curley, John A. Curley, Jr., Stanton R. White, assistant secretary of public celebrations, aod Charles Murphy.

Mayor Harold D. Bent and Perley G. Flint, secretary of the Brockton Agricultural society, met the Boston party at the gate, and the visitors were escorted to Fred F. Field's box in front of the stand.

For about an hour Mayor Curley watched the stage show and the horse races and then, accompanied by Mayor Bent and Mr. Field, president of the society, visited the public address box. The Boston mayor congratulated the city of Brockton on its golden anniversary as a city, and extended his felicitations to the agricultural society because of its efforts to keep agriculture as one of the chief features of the fair.

Although the forenoon was drizzly, the usual events were conducted without loss of time, and the agricultural building, cattle show barns and dog kennels were busy until late afternoon.

The Brockton Fair scholarship for home economics, amounting to $100 was awarded Miss Margaret Clark of Westfield. One of $75 went to Miss Marie Schweitzer of Westfield; one of $50 to Miss Mathia of Ashland and one of $25 to Miss Marion Kessler of Canton. The contest was judged on exhibits of garments and canned goods, writing and oral presentation.

Leo J. Fitzpatrick is in charge of the home and school garden exhibit, taking the place of Miss Anniel Burke, who died a few weeks ago. Miss Burke, for many years a teacher at the high school, founded the Brockton school gardens and had charge of the exhibit at the fair from its inception to the time of her death.

In the cattle show the Holstein and Jersey breeds were judged yesterday. Ormsby Burke Segis, owned by the Wisconsin board of control, from Madison, Wis., was adjudged senior bull, the junior championship going to Hurlwood Sir Segis Walker 4th of the Fenton Brook Hurlwood farms, Great Barrington.

The grand championship went to Ormsby Burke Segis.

The senior champion Holstein cow judged yesterday was Riverside Echo Segis Fayne from the Fenton Brook-Hurlwood Farm. She also won the grand championship, and in addition received the Massachusetts trophy for being the best Holstein cow in milk.

In the Jersey class the senior championships for bull went to Sybils Sultan's Queens Count, owned by Frank Luchsinger & Sons of Syracuse, N. Y. The junior championship was won by Xenia's Roseboy Volunteer, fro mthe Broadland's Jerseys, Elkton, Md., and the same animal won the grand championship.

The senior and grand champion cow in the Jersey group was Imp BroadlandsBarbara, owned by the Broadlands Jerseys of Elkton, Md., while the junior title went to You'll Do Lois Helen, owned by Ross Elliott of East Corinth, Me. She state trophy for the best cow in milk was won by Orchard View Calolinda, owned by the Orchard View Farm of East Bridgewater.

The night show was featured by another display of fireworks.

Today is Governor's day and Gov. Ely and staff as well as other prominent state and national officials will be guests of the society. Gov. Ely will, while here, turn the first sod for the new building to be erected by the state on the grounds.

BEVERLY TIMES 9/18/31

CURLEY BANS OVERTIME

In the most pointed letter ever penned by him to department heads, Mayor Curley of Boston, utters another and final warning against overtime payments, telling his subordinates that if they tolerate any such outlays they must pay the bills out of their own pocket. The mayor sees no justification in the oldtime practice especially in these days of unemployment, but realizing that employees must work overtime in cases of emergency, he would give them the compensatory time-off.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 9/18/31

To Celebrate Ten-Year Term on Air Tonight

WBZ and WBZA Enlists Galaxy of Talent for Its Anniversary Program.

Climaxing a decade of unbroken service to the New England public, Westinghouse station WBZ tonight goes on the air with the most pretentious program in all its history. The evening's broadcast, which celebrates the station's historic beginnings at East Springfield 10 years ago, will be highlighted by the dedication of new anniversary studios at the Hotel Bradford in Boston.

More than 600 guests have been invited to attend the broadcast celebration, which will open at 9.30 with messages of greeting from President Hoover, Gov. Ely, Mayor Curley of Boston, Mayor Winter of Springfield and from many other distinguished figures in New England officialdom.

Following hard upon the speaking program will come a musical barrage introducing half a dozen dance bands, symphony, concert and vocal groups, blues, ballad singers and crooners. Unprecedented both in time and talent dimensions, tonight's program will bring to listeners a continuous 30-hour show of sparkling microphonics assembled from the four corners of radio stardom. On into the midnight hours, through dawn until late the following evening, WBZ will regale a far-flung audience with radio divertissements.

Standing out among the features of the evening's festivities will be the carving of a huge WBZ birthday cake by Miss Mary Curley, daughter of the Boston Mayor. A description of this scene will be afforded listeners by one of a special staff of 10 announcers.

At 11 o'clock a network of NBC stations will be set up to carry the anniversary program to other parts of the United States. In the hour following midnight the National Broadcasting Company will broadcast from New York a special salute to New England's oldest radio station and the most venerable broadcaster on any network in the world excepting KDKA. This tribute will feature all-star Broadwayites and dance bands and will also bring to the microphone several former members of the staff of WBZ, now serving at NBC.

These include John Shaw Young, Howard A. Petrie, Vella C. Reeves, Alwyn E. W. Bach, John W. Holbrook, Kenneth C. MacGregor and William G. Lundell.

Foremost among the features contributed from the Boston and Springfield studios is the "pops" program to be played by a salon group composed of members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Samuel Seiniger. Besides this stellar attraction there will be others of strong appeal, notably the Tenatones, one of Greater Boston's leading trios (male); Joe Rines' Show Boat Orchestra, Leo Reisman's Egyptian Room Orchestra, Hotel Bradford Orchestra, Falvey's Orchestra and two studio jazz bands.

Artists appearing include Polly Wilis, lyric soprano; Orrin White, baritone; Doris Tirrell, pianist; Ted Doolittle, crooner; Peg La Centra, blues singer; Aidan Redmond, baritone; Edward MacHugh, baritone; Eddie Lord and Harry Foisey, organists. Frederick G. Rogers, Pittsburgh baritone, will sing and he is also to give greetings for KDKA to its New England sister station.

Additional features include a musical salute to New England business, agriculture and industry and to those aiding its growth, which is to be broadcast as the "Parade of Progress." During the early morning hours the anniversary program will be dedicated to DX listeners and foreign tuners when a serenade by dance bands will be carried under the banner "Around the World with WIXAZ."

TOWN TOPIC 8/29/31

CURLEY STRONG FOR ROOSEVELT

Boston Mayor Comes Out In Open For Roosevelt for President While Ely, Walsh and Others Do a Pussy-foot, Until They See Who's Who.—Ely Hides Under Al Smith's Camisole.

Mayor James M. Curley, always a leader, always ready to take a stand in the front line on matters of public thought and betterment, as well as political, has come to the forefront as the New England sponsor of a Roosevelt for president drive. Curley believes that Roosevelt is the man best equipped to snatch the national honor from President Hoover and says so in no uncertain manner. Curley is always in the open, and is now in the open for Roosevelt and will give the same stalwart support and impetus to the candidacy of Roosevelt as he did for Al Smith, when he carried Smith to victory in Massachusetts in 1928 while Walsh and the rest of the political big shots were interested in their own success and not caring a hoot whether Smith carried the state or not.

Unlike Walsh and Ely, Curley never ducks and sidesteps. Curley knows just as everyone else does that Al Smith can never make the pesidency.

There is no doubt in this wide bay state, but that Mayor Curley of Boston is going to be a most formidable candidate for governor in 1932. His latest speech delivered Labor Day in old time Curley fashion sees the Boston mayor courageously seting the pace for a 5 day week by his intention of putting Boston municipal employees on such a schedule so as more men may be employed. It is the only way of competing with the inventive genius of the country which makes the country produce as much in six months as it can consume in a year.

CURLEY FOR ROOSEVELT
(Continued from Page 1)

So does Walsh and Gov. Ely. But Ely and Walsh have failed to declare for Roosevelt. They want to send a Walsh pledged delegation to the National Convention so they can pussy-foot. And if they can't work it under the Walsh cognomen, they will try to get a Smith pledged delegation, knowing that Al will not really be in the running.

But Curley, the man of brains and vision knows that Roosevelt is the man. And he does not beat behind and around the bush. And he is powerful enough to sell Roosevelt to all of New England.

It takes a great man to stand out as Curley does. And only Curley can do it effectively. That's why he is the leader and most resourceful Democrat in New England, and ranks with the greatest in the country.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 9/23/31

CURLEY FOR WAR DEBT CANCELLATION

BOSTON, Sept. 22 (AP)—Cancellation of foreign war debts on condition that the world disarm was urged today by Mayor James M. Curley as he signed a disarmament petition of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. The petition will be filed with President Hoover.

Mayor Curley appealed to the league's delegates to start a crusade to force the government to take advantage of its leadership in the money market by making the world disarm. If the nations of the world would disarm, he said, the government could cancel the foreign war debt and then repeal the prohibition laws to obtain sufficient revenue to offset the loss of the war debts.

NORTHAMPTON GAZETTE 9/19/31

WBZ TO OBSERVE 10TH BIRTHDAY

Anniversary Program Opens Tonight, With Many Features

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TIMES
BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/19/31

CURLEY SOUNDS OPTIMISTIC NOTE IN REMARKS AT FAIR

Urges New England to Realize Its Possibilities and Achievements---Makes Tour of Grounds With Party and Mayor Bent, His Host for Day---Does Well on Midway.

Sounding a keynote of optimism and urging New England to rise to a realization of its agricultural possibilities and achievements, Mayor James M. Curley of Boston brought a significant message to patrons at the Brockton Fair on Boston day. Mayor Curley was accompanied by members of his immediate family and intimate friends and during his stay at the grounds was entertained by Mayor Bent and fair officials.

Mayor Curley arrived at the grounds shortly after 3 o'clock in company with his daughter, Miss Mary Curley and her friend, Miss Helen Maher of Chicago. Others in the party were John J. Curley, the mayor's brother, and his daughter, Miss Margaret Curley, and John A. Connolly, Jr., Stanton R. White, assistant director of public celebrations, and Charles Murphy.

The visiting guests were met at the gate by Mayor Bent and Perley G. Flint, secretary of the Brockton Agricultural Society, and were escorted to President Field's box in the grandstand. Police Officers Wilson and Barteaux cleared the way.

After watching the show for a short while, Mayor Curley, in the company of Mayor Bent and President Field, went to the public address system box and delivered his message. President Field, with a few words, introduced Mayor Bent, who presented Mayor Curley to the audience. Mayor Curley received a fine ovation both at his introduction and at the close of his speech.

Mayor Bent Speaks.

In introducing Mayor Curley, Mayor Bent spoke as follows:

"I have conferred upon me as mayor of Brockton the signal honor of introducing to the patrons of the Brockton Fair one of the most illustrious sons of the commonwealth. But before presenting to you the Hon. James M. Curley of Boston, I am going to take the liberty to tell some of the sentiments that are surging up within me.

"I cannot let this opportunity pass without voicing the pride that wells up in my heart at being mayor of our fair city on such a momentous occasion. Through 50 years of steady growth our city now ranks with the most progressive municipalities in the State in every branch of civic achievement. Guided ever by the beacon light of courage our leaders in all walks of life have faithfully discharged their trust. To-day we allow our pride to be unconfined. We feel justified in extolling to our many visitors the merits of our thriving city.

"It is our privilege to-day to dwell in loving memory with those of the pioneers of our city, whose stout hearts and unswerving loyalty have been the foundation upon which the success of our undertakings has been built. We bow in homage to those hardy forbears whose vision and foresight were never dimmed by the clouds of gloom that at times gathered upon the horizon. We recognize the staunch qualities of those who have guided the destinies of our city through troubled waters.

"We rejoice that in our midst there are so many civic minded citizens, who are always ready to give unsparingly of their time and efforts that the city might continue in its forward march.

"And now I feel that I have encroached liberally upon your good graces so I take pleasure in presenting the Hon. James M. Curley, mayor of Boston."

Response by Curley.

Mayor Curley said:

"I am greatly honored to have the privilege of speaking to-day at the Brockton Fair, for the Brockton Fair to me is much more than a local event. It is a part of a national institution and it is to me a living monument to the oldest and greatest of all our industrial activities—agriculture.

"Agriculture is probably the strongest and greatest of all our industries. It is world-wide in its practice and is the back-log of most of our other industrial enterprises. Agriculture in the United States is of immense importance. It has been estimated it pays one-fifth of the cost of our government and engages nearly one-third of our population.

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Sounding a keynote of optimism and urging New England to rise to a realization of its agricultural possibilities and achievements, Mayor James M. Curley of Boston brought a significant message to patrons at the Brockton Fair on Boston day. Mayor Curley was accompanied by members of his immediate family and intimate friends and during his stay at the grounds was entertained by Mayor Bent and fair officials.

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The visiting guests were met at the gate by Mayor Bent and Perley G. Flint, secretary of the Brockton Agricultural Society, and were escorted to President Field's box in the grandstand. Police Officers Wilson and Barteaux cleared the way.

After watching the show for a short while, Mayor Curley, in the company of Mayor Bent and President Field, went to the public address system box and delivered his message. President Field, with a few words, introduced Mayor Bent, who presented Mayor Curley to the audience. Mayor Curley received a fine ovation both at his introduction and at the close of his speech.

Mayor Bent Speaks.

In introducing Mayor Curley, Mayor Bent spoke as follows:

"I have conferred upon me as mayor of Brockton the signal honor of introducing to the patrons of the Brockton Fair one of the most illustrious sons of the commonwealth. But before presenting to you the Hon. James M. Curley of Boston, I am going to take the liberty to tell some of the sentiments that are surging up within me.

"I cannot let this opportunity pass without voicing the pride that wells up in my heart at being mayor of our fair city on such a momentous occasion. Through 50 years of steady growth our city now ranks with the most progressive municipalities in the State in every branch of civic achievement. Guided ever by the beacon light of courage our leaders in all walks of life have faithfully discharged their trust. To-day we allow our pride to be unconfined. We feel justified in extolling to our many visitors the merits of our thriving city.

"It is our privilege to-day to dwell in loving memory with those of the pioneers of our city, whose stout hearts and unswerving loyalty have been the foundation upon which the success of our undertakings has been built. We bow in homage to those hardy forbears whose vision and foresight were never dimmed by the clouds of gloom that at times gathered upon the horizon. We recognize the staunch qualities of those who have guided the destinies of our city through troubled waters.

"We rejoice that in our midst there are so many civic minded citizens, who are always ready to give unsparingly of their time and efforts that the city might continue in its forward march.

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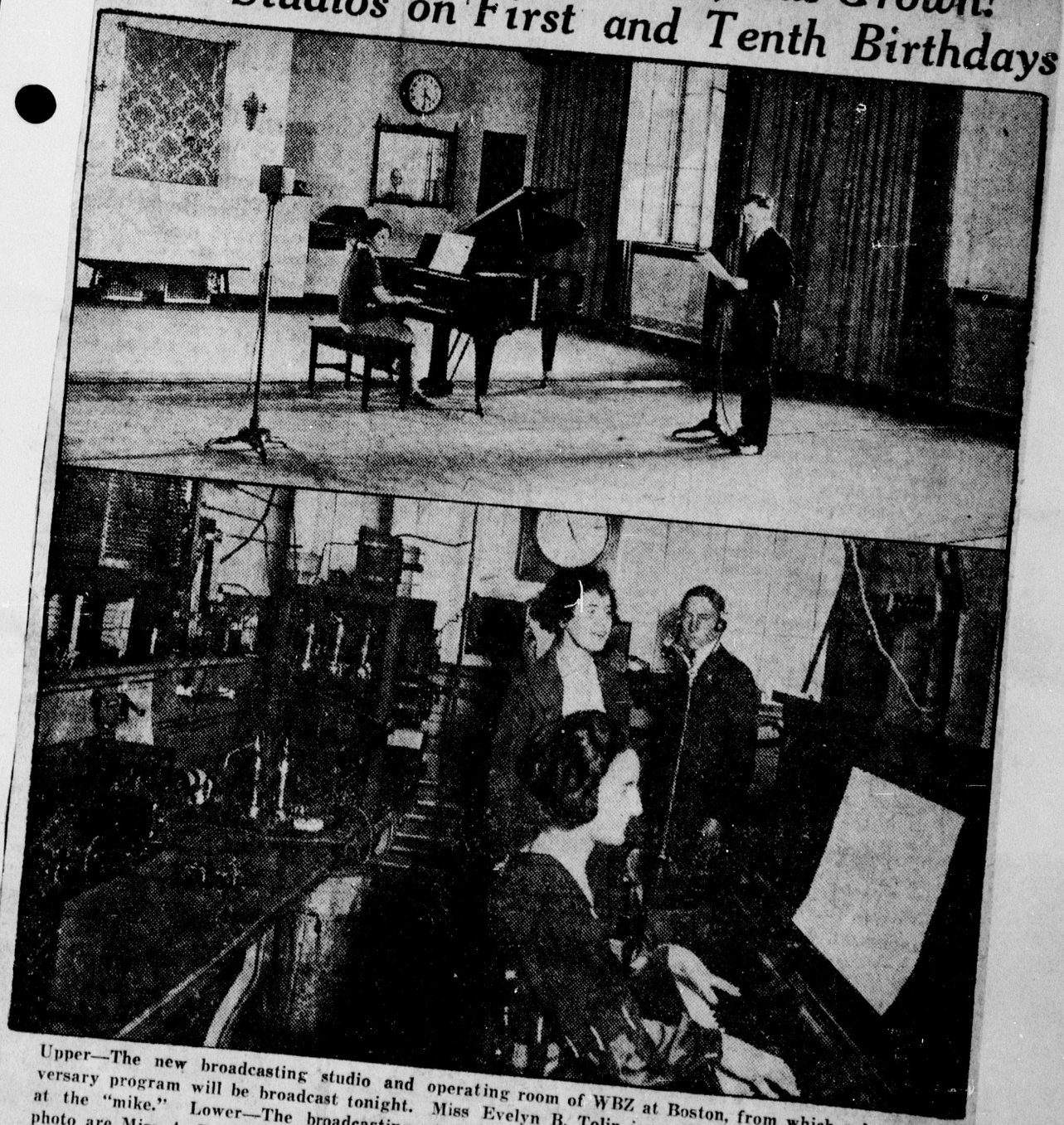
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How This Radio Child, WBZ, Has Grown! Studios on First and Tenth Birthdays



Upper—The new broadcasting studio and operating room of WBZ at Boston, from which gala anniversary program will be broadcast tonight. Miss Evelyn B. Tolin is at the piano, W. Gordon Swan at the "mike." Lower—The broadcasting studio of 10 years ago at East Springfield. Those in the photo are Miss A. P. Williams at the piano, Miss M. H. Connelly, singer, at the microphone, and Horace R. Dyson, radio operator and announcer.

WBZ TO OBSERVE ITS 10TH BIRTHDAY WITH BIG PROGRAM

Goes on Air Tonight With Entertainment That Will Continue Until Late Tomorrow Night

Climaxing a decade of unbroken service to the New England public, Westinghouse station WBZ tonight goes on the air with the most pretentious program in all its history. The evening's broadcast which celebrates the station's historic beginnings at East Springfield, Mass., 10 years ago, will be highlighted by the dedication of new anniversary studios at the Hotel Bradford in Boston.

More than 600 guests have been invited to attend the broadcast celebration which will open at 9.30 with messages of greeting from President Hoover, Governor Ely, Mayor Curley of Boston, Mayor Winter of Springfield and from many other distinguished figures in New England officialdom.

Following hard upon the speaking program will come a musical barrage introducing half a dozen dance bands, symphony, concert and vocal groups, blues, ballad singers and crooners. Unprecedented both in time and talent dimensions, tonight's program will bring to listeners a continuous 30-hour show of sparkling microphonics assembled from the four corners of radio stardom. On into the midnight hours, through dawn until late the following evening, WBZ will regale a far flung audience with the premier in radio divertissements.

Standing out among the features of the evening's festivities will be the [illegible] WBZ birthday cake

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by Miss Mary Curley, daughter of the mayor. A description of this scene will be afforded listeners by one of a special staff of 10 announcers.

At 11 a network of NBC stations will be set up to carry the anniversary program to other parts of the United States. In the hour following the National Broadcasting company will broadcast from New York a special salute to New England's oldest radio station and the most venerable broadcaster on any network in the world excepting . . . KA. This tribute will feature all-star Broadwayites and dance bands and will also bring to the microphone several former members of the staff of WBZ, now serving at NBC.

These include John Shaw Young, Howard A. Petrie, Vella C. Reeves, Alwyn E. W. Bach, John W. Holbrook, Kenneth C. MacGregor and William G. Lundell.

Foremost among the features contributed from the Boston and Springfield studios is the "pops" program to be played by a salon group composed of members of the Boston Symphony orchestra under the direction of Samuel Seiniger. Besides this stellar attraction there will be others of strong appeal, notably the Tenatones, one of Greater Boston's leading trios (male); Joe Rines's Show Boat orchestra, Leo Reisman's Egyptian Room orchestra, Hotel Bradford orchestra, Falvey's orchestra and two studio jazz bands.

Boston artists appearing include Polly Willis, lyric soprano; Orrin White, baritone; Doris Tirrell, pianist; Ted Doolittle, crooner; Peg La Centra, blues singer; Aidan Redmond, baritone; Edward MacHugh, baritone; Eddie Lord and Harry Foisey, organists. Frederick G. Rogers, Pittsburg baritone, will sing and he is also to give greetings for KDKA to its New England sister station.

Additional features include a musical salute to New England business, agriculture and industry and to those aiding its growth, which is to be broadcast as the "Parade of Progress." During the early morning hours the anniversary program will be dedicated to DX listeners and foreign tuners when a serenade by dance bands will be carried under the banner "Around the World With W1XAZ."

Songs and chatter by Broadway comedians, classical piano music and a talk on the United States constitution will feature programs of National Broadcasting company tonight.

Ray Perkins, outstanding NBC song-and-patter exponent, will almost open and close the broadcasting day. Perkins, as the Prince of Pineapple, will be heard over an NBC-WJZ network from 10 to 10.15 a. m., eastern daylight time, and again from 11.30 to 11.45 p. m., over an NBC-WEAF network on the Frigidarians program with the Landt trio and White.

The Radio guild, at 4.15 p. m., over an NBC-WJZ network, will offer "The Show Off" by George Kelly. Mme Frances Alda, operatic soprano, with Frank LaForge at the piano, will be heard in a program of old-time songs at 7.15 p. m.

A Constitution week talk will be heard over an NBC-WEAF network, under auspices of the American Bar association committee on American citizenship, from 5 to 5.30 p. m., William J. Donovan, former assistant United States attorney-general, will speak on "Can the Constitution Meet Our Changing Social and Economic Conditions?" The program will come from Atlantic City, N. J.

Fred Astaire, Broadway favorite, will highlight the program as guest artist from 8 to 8.30 p. m., over an NBC-WJZ network. Nat Brusiloff's orchestra will provide the musical background.

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MAYOR CURLEY GIVES TALK AND SEES FAIR EXHIBITS

Boston's Chief Executive Accompanied by His Daughter and Party.

An optimistic and prosperous outlook for the city of Brockton directly through the return to prosperity of the farmer and agriculturists was prophecied as certainty by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, Thursday, during his visit to the fair on Boston day.

Mayor Curley arrived at the grounds about 3.15. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Mary Curley, and a companion of Miss Curley's, Miss Helen Maher of Chicago. At the grounds waiting the arrival of Mayor Curley and his party were John J. Curley, brother of the mayor, and his daughter, Miss Margaret Curley, John A. Connolly, Stanton R. White, assistant director of public celebrations and Charles Murphy of the Boston city government.

Mayor Curley and his party were received by Mayor Harold D. Bent and Secretary Perley G. Flint and members of the press at the Forest avenue entrance. The party immediately adjourned to the private box of President Fred F. Field in the grand stand where they watched the stage and track shows races and horse show.

The Boston chief executive, escorted by Mayor Bent and Pres. Field then crossed the track to the judges stand where Pres. Field presented Mayor Bent. Over the amplification system Mayor Bent congratulated Brockton's citizenry for the faith in the city which made a magnificent celebration and tribute possible. He spoke of his pride in the progress and achievements of the city and also expressed his deep satisfaction at being privileged to be the chief executive of the city during such an auspicious occasion. Mayor Bent then introduced Mayor Curley.

Mayor Curley lauded the spirit of optimism and the faith in their forefathers which had marked Brockton's progress and its renewed prosperity in the light of local recovery evidenced after the depression.

At the conclusion of his speech the Boston mayor was given a great round of applause. With his party he was then shown about the grounds. A trip was taken to the horse show ring and then to the horse barns. Mayor Curley showed great interest in the spirited animals on exhibition. Trips were then made to exposition and agricultural buildings and the sightseeing tour concluded with a tour of the barns housing the many herds of blooded cattle. Mayor Curley continually expressed his delight and astonishment at the splendor of the great fair.

Dive Despite Stiff Winds

It looked for a while as though the fair patrons were going to miss the dives by Capt. Sol Solomon from his 122 foot perch and by Miss Rae Richards from her 70 foot platform Thursday afternoon because of a particularly stiff wind. Both divers, with undoubtedly more courage and caution, "carried on" and made their dives. Both were given enthusiastic applause for their daring and courage.

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CURLEY ENDORSES ROOSEVELT DRIVE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—(By Universal Service) Formation of a national Roosevelt-for-President club, with Mayor James M. Curley, of Boston, as one of the organizers was revealed in letters received by members of Congress and other prominent Democrats today.

"America calls another Roosevelt" is the inscription on a button being distributed.

Mayor Curley's letter:

"It is becoming increasingly evident that the people of the United States have decided to make a complete change in the administration of their government at the next national election.

"It is also evident there is a country-wide call for the services of the great governor of New York to lead the forces of democracy.

"While our party has many men who could handle the high office of president with honor, dignity and ability, it would seem that the man who so gloriously swept the Empire State in the last election has caught the sympathetic attention of the people."

After praising Governor Rosevelt as a man who has never faltered when demands were made upon him by country, state or friend, the letter continued:

"America in her present crisis needs spiritual guidance. No man in our party so magnificently combines high academic training and deep spirituality as does Gov. Franklin Delano Roosevelt of New York."

FRAMINGHAM NEWS 9/19/31

Station WBZ Celebrates Anniversary With Opening Of Hotel Bradford Studio

Elaborate Radio Program Broadcast With Tributes From President Hoover, Governor Ely, Mayor Curley

Station WBZ celebrated the 10th anniversary of its organization last night with an elaborate program broadcast from its newly opened studio, which occupies the fifth floor of the Hotel Bradford. The program began at 9.30 o'clock and concluded at 7.30 o'clock this morning.

Station WBZA as well as Westinghouse stations elsewhere, participated in broadcasting the tributes of President Hoover, Calvin Coolidge, Cardinal O'Connell, the New England Governor,s Mayor Curley of Boston, Mayo Winter of Springfield in the presence of a gathering of some 600 people gathered at the studios.

J. P. Alexander, district manager for the Westinghouse Electrical Mfg. Co., after his greeting to the speakers and guests, took charge of the introductions. A. B. Reynders, manager of the East Springfield works of the Westinghouse company, gave his greeting from the Kimball studio in Springfield, as did Mayor Winter, Frederick G. Rogers, general director of Westinghouse stations, gave the greetings of KDKA from the station in Pittsburgh. L. C. Prior, manager of the Hotel Bradford, gave a reminiscent talk and welcomed the studio to its new location.

Mayor Curley, speaking from New York, where he went yesterday afternoon, predicted the drawing of nations of the world into closer communion by means of a better understanding through the agency of the radio and the abolition of war thereby.

DeWitt C. DeWolf represented Governor Ely. He commented on the fact that he and the Governor hail from the hills of the western part of the state and that it was from the same locality that the first message went forth over WBZ, a message from Mayor Edwin F. Leonard of Springfield being the first from the station in East Springfield.

As part of the festivities, Mr. DeWolf cut the huge birthday cake presented to the station by Mr. Prior.

Active in the reception of guests was Norman E. Whittaker of Saxonville, commercial representative of the Westinghouse New England stations. Mr. Whittaker, a popular member of the WBZ staff, is a graduate of Framingham High school and Burdett College. Among the radio artists to take part in the dedicatory program was Arthur Hiltz, formerly of Framingham, who sang as a member of the Breakfast Four.

Among the guests at the studios were Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson, C. R. Sullivan of Framingham and a representative of The News.

Assists at Opening of New WBZ Studio



NORMAN E. WHITTAKER

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PRIESTS HAVE NOTED STICKS

Two Given By Mayor Curley, Another By Lifer

Hudson—The priests of St. Michaels parish, the pastor, Rev M J. Murphy and his assistants, Rev L. D Chadbourne and Rev J. L. O'Neil are sporting walking sticks of especial note.

Father Murphy and Father ONeil carry with them, black thorn sticks presented to them by Mayor Jas. M. Curley of Boston, who obtained them on his recent visit to Ireland Father Chadbourne carries a cane manufactured by the noted Jose Pomeroy. The latter cane is made with silver trimmings. This cane was presented to Father Murphy, by the famed lifer when the former was chaplain at Charlestown prison.

TAUNTON GAZETTE 9/19/31

Boston Goes Modest To Tune of $1000 On Library's Statuary

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Thursday, Sept. 17.—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston is guest at Brockton Fair.

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Mayor Curley continues to expend his literary ability in defending the five-day week as an "alternative for the dole." But in administering affairs he adheres to a businesslike attitude. In a letter to department heads he forbids overtime payments, and says that no more will be approved. If city employes work overtime, as is often necessary, they much receive compensatory time off. "There is no way in which anyone 'can justify overtime payments with 'the unemployment situation as it is 'at present and with public welfare 'demands greatly in excess of other 'years." Giving employes compensatory time off instead of overtime pay will save the city $100,000 a year, he says. Creation of additional jobs in this manner will have general approval. It is exactly the opposite policy to six days' pay for five days' work, which the mayor has threatened to adopt at a yearly increase of $750,000 in the city payroll.

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"It seems to me that the supply departments of our New England States are missing a great opportunity to encourage New England agriculture and greatly increase the purchasing power of the New England farmer by not directing that State supported institutions and hospitals shall meet at least a substantial part of their requirements from New England agriculture.

"In closing, I bring to the city of Brockton, on its golden anniversary as a city, the congratulations of the metropolitan city of New England."

Make Tour of Grounds.

After leaving the box Mayors Curley and Bent made a tour of the grounds, taking in the horse show, midway and other features.

Mayor "Jim" is either lucky or hawkers along the hippodrome recognized the dignity that beamed from under that "iron hat" he wore to Boston day Thursday and decided to loosen up a bit. "Jim" went back to the Hub with an auto load of dolls, canes (not near as nice as those blackthorns though), blankets, teddy bears and what not easily garnered from the usually sharp sharpers. But, Mayor Bent was there and, maybe, that helped. "Jim" was free in passing out dolls and other winnings to children whom he met along the way.

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Crowd Not Large, Being Held Back by Rain and Clouds, Although Weather Clears Up Nicely in Afternoon and Evening---No Balloon Ascension.

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Rain and threats of rain detracted considerably from the Boston day programme at the fair Thursday. Thousands of prospective patrons from all over New England made other plans in the morning when the sky was covered with a deep cloudbank that at times sent forth intermittent showers. The programme was carried out in its entirety and the crowd, although slim for Boston day, was given full money's worth.

There was so much uncertainty about the coming of Mayor Curley of Boston that up to the last minute it was not known definitely whether or not he would arrive. Shortly after 3 o'clock the Boston mayor, in company with his daughter and brother, arrived at the grounds and he delivered one of the masterful speeches for which he is known. He was entertained by Mayor Bent and President Field of the Brockton Agricultural Society.

No Balloon Ascension.

Prof. Flowers was between two minds about sending up the balloon. The wind was blowing in almost gale proportions at the grounds in the afternoon but the doughty "Daredevil" Cates was willing to take his chances. The big bag was filled partly but when the velocity of the wind seemed to grow in proportions rather than diminish, it was decided to call the event off for the afternoon.

Boston day always has been noted for its fine athletic programme, and yesterday was no exception. Throughout the day there were all kinds of field events in the Robinson oval and the climax of the day came in the early evening when the veteran "Jimmy" Henigan lost out in the 10-mile marathon to Leslie Pawson of Pawtucket in a stirring finish.

The vigilance of the police again was evident in the small number of complaints that were registered. The "big stuff" of the day consisted in a report that two "gangsters" had demanded $200 from one of the concessionaires with the threat that they would cause some damage were the money not handed over.

LYNN ITEM 9/18/31

WBZ 10TH ANNIVERSARY STUDIO DEDICATION

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New England's oldest radio station, WBZ, will celebrate its 10th anniversary and dedication of the new studios at the Hotel Bradford, in Boston, over an NBC-WJZ network tonight from 9.30 to 7 AM Saturday morning with a continuous program of speeches, dance music and feature entertainers. More than 600 guests have been invited to attend the broadcast celebration which will open with messages of greeting from Governor Ely, Mayor Curley of Boston, Thornton Burgess, and Mayor Winter of Springfield. Several Boston artists will appear on the program including symphony, concert and vocal groups, blues, ballad singers and crooners and a half dozen dance bands. Additional features will be a musical salute to New England business and industry, starting at midnight.

During the early morning hours the program will be dedicated to foreign tuners broadcast under the title "Around the World with WIXAZ."

Back yesterday afternoon to defeat Horton Smith, 5 and 4, was a heavy favorite to reach the finals. Creavy showed good golf in defeating Cyril Walker, one-time national open champion, by a 3 and 1 score, but does not appear to have the game to stop Sarazen.

The other match is a toss-up. Burke had little trouble trimming Abe Espinosa of Chicago by a 5 and 3 score yesterday, and apparently is at the top of his game.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/18/31

The very presence of Mayor Curley of Boston seems to create an air of encouragement and prosperity. After his inspiring address of Thurday afternoon, he chanced a meeting on the ground with an old friend. "How do you find things, Joe?" the mayor asked. "Perfect, Jim," came the prompt reply. "I've got a steady job and plenty of work for weeks to come."

DORCHESTER BEACON 9/19/31

MAYOR CURLEY WILL FIGHT COUNCILLOR KELLY IN 15TH

Freely Predicted In City Hall That Mayor Is Anxious To See "Fire-Eating" Ward 15 Man Beaten In Contest

EXPECT HIM TO TAKE STUMP IN SCRAP

Will Back Most Promising Opponent To End Kelly's Political Career For Good--Opposed By Kelly In Everything

Mayor James M. Curley will come into ward 15 in the fight for the place in the city council now held by Councillor Francis E. Kelly of Topliff st to bring about the election of a candidate friendly to his policies, it was learned yesterday from a normally authentic source at city hall.

The Mayor's hostility to Kelly is well known, due naturally to the consistent and persistent attacks of the latter upon the Mayor ever since he took his seat in the council.

Councillor Kelly has opposed the Mayor at every turn and in his heated speeches in the council chamber he has lashed the Mayor upon every possible occasion. He has accused him of all sorts of things, but the Mayor, openly, has never appeared to recognize the youthful politician's blasts. The Mayor's friends, however, have attempted without result, to curb Kelly's remarks at times and to steer him straight on various matters.

None of their advice has been taken and Councillor Kelly has continued his almost lone-hand drive against the Mayor up to the present time. Even while he was in the hospital for an appendicitis operation he hurled a few shots at the Mayor.

With the campaign about to open full blast and a grand free-for-all fight in sight in ward 15 with several candidates already in the running persons close to Mayor Curley are firmly convinced that the Mayor will step out openly to give battle to Councillor Kelly.

From the advance tips on the program it looks as if it will be one of the most bitter council fights into which Mayor Curley ever placed himself. It is believed that he actually will stump the district to make sure that Kelly is defeated.

It is stated that the Mayor has decided to back a well-known ward 15 man for the office and that the lines are already being established to make his election a practical certainty.

A number of candidates have been put into the field to draw strength away from Councillor Kelly, while the favorite of the Mayor will be given every possible support that can be procured.

One of Councillor Kelly's latest clashes with the Mayor was over the purchase of ice-cream for the ward's celebration of the Fourth, which resulted finally in Kelly being held responsible for the ice-cream he personally ordered. Ice-cream ordered by the director of celebrations was paid for out of the appropriation, though Kelly and his friends claimed the ice-cream was never delivered.

The Councillor has been much in the public eye and seemingly has considerable strength on his side. Two years ago he swamped Councillor Thomas W. McMahon in a field of several candidates, and it is doubtful if he can count on McMahon's help in his coming fight with the forces led by the Mayor.

IRISH HURLING TEAM TO VISIT BOSTON

The Tipperary Hurling team, champions of Ireland in that ancient Irish sport, is coming to Boston soon. The members of the team landed in New York, September 16, will play their first game in that city Sunday, September 20. Hurling is the National game of Ireland and was played there for centuries. It is a fast game requiring fleetness of foot, keenness of eye, strength and ability and a skill in wielding the hurley that comes only with long practice. They will arrive in Boston, Wednesday, September 23rd. The headquarters of team while in Boston will be the Hotel Statler.

The team will be tendered a reception by the United Irish societies of Boston in Hibernian Hall, Roxbury on Wednesday evening, September 23rd. O'Leary's Irish Minstrels will furnish music for the dancing. His Honor James M. Curley is interested in making their stay in Boston a pleasant one and will tender them a luncheon on some date to be announced later. The Tipperary men's organization the representatives of the County in Ireland from which the visitors come will also entertain them royally.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 9/23/31

WOULD CANCEL WAR DEBTS IF WORLD WOULD DISARM

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SPRINGFIELD NEWS 9-30-31

CAR INSURANCE FIGHT OPENS AT HEARING

Ely Holds 'Ace in Hole' If Foes Attempt to Side-track Program

MIGHT PROPOSE STATE FUND IF HIS OWN IDEAS ARE DISCARDED

Governor Clearly Indicates He Means to Change Present Law

By HENRY G. LOGAN
(Staff Correspondent of The Daily News)

Boston, Sept. 30—Quite apparent it is that Gov Joseph B. Ely means business with respect to changing the automobile insurance law, and that unless the insurance companies quit fidding around with their opposition and offer cooperation for his program steps will be taken to provide a state fund to handle compulsory insurance of this kind, and that it will corral enough votes in the Legislature to provide its passage.

Gov Ely hasn't said this, but it is quite evident that he wouldn't have called the special session of the Legislature and made his five specific recommendations unless he had studied the whole subject and had become convinced that his ideas would bring about a reduction in rates that still would permit the companies to do business without a loss.

These conclusions stand forth after two days of consideration of the governor's program. Apparently the Legislature, or the majority of it, realizes that something has got to be done. An election approaches and the constituents of the senators and representatives want something done. That will be the impelling motive for action of some kind, according to the present outlook. Back of this is the driving force of the governor which, thought it apparently has never been strongly exhibited in the past, exists nevertheless, and may be brought into play if necessary to put across this insurance relief for the public.

Interests Opposed

The program of the insurance interests has been announced as woven around the desire for repeal of the compulsory law and in its place, enactment of a financial responsibility law somewhat like that in effect in Connecticut. Against this is the quite general wish of the public, and Gov Ely as well, that the compulsory law be retained. Thus, the two interests are diametrically opposed. In between them runs the program advanced last night by the committee of city solicitors and town counsel, which acted after being called together by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston.

At first, this committee seemingly favored some form of demerit rating and, as near as can be learned, designated two learned counsel among its members to frame such a plan for presentation to the Legislature. After a great deal of study, the two counselors returned to their committee, threw up their hands and said an equitable demerit rating system was impossible, as far as they were concerned. Frank A. Goodwin, stormy petrel of insurance, then stepped forcould not be factually disputed by anyone.

Whether the many bills pertaining to this subject of insurance, which the Legislature has admitted for consideration at this session, will clutter up the discussion and halt a decision remains to be seen. Some opine it will make no difference, because the ideas they set forth would be considered by the legislative committees engaged in working out a program, anyway. Others think that with so many bills to choose from, factions will form, each for some distinct feature, and thus prevent a necessary majority to put across the governor's program. In this respect, Gov Ely's closest backers contend there will be little real difficulty in putting his program across as presented, despite all the smoke that will be thrown out.

Much Criticism Heard

Criticism continues to be heard because the governor's message and insurance bills were referred to committees on insurance and judiciary, sitting jointly. One criticism has been that the majority of the two committees come from zones whose rates are not affected materially by the 1932 rates promulgated. This would be only natural, if true, because 263 municipalities of the 355 in the state are in zone 18, which has the lowest rates, and in this zone are registered more cars than in any other. Still, this assertion is not true, as study of the committee makeup has proved.

Eighteen of the 31 members on the two committees come from zones affected by the 1932 rates, and they are from zones which have greater than the average rate for the state. Western Massachusetts has only three members on the two committees, Senator Theodore R. Plunkett of Adams on insurance, and Senator Frank Hurley and Representative Francis P. Clark, both of Holyoke, on judiciary. Lawyers, in the majority, favor retention of the compulsory law. That may be ascribed as natural, because it makes so much business for them, but aside from this feature, they must recognize the law to be just else they could not consistently be for it.

On the insurance committee, the majority of the members are engaged in the insurance business. Naturally, they might favor the ideas that the insurance interests favor, but strange it seems probable they will not knuckle, as a whole, to these ideas. If the insurance interests can be made to realize that a state fund will be provided for if they persist in their antagonism to the present law plus the governor's ideas, perhaps some of the lobbying, which was so strongly criticized by one senator when the legislative session opened Monday will die down.

HERALD-NEWS 9/21/31

REACHING FOR $30,000,000.

The annual convention of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways association in Boston early next month is apparently to be the place and occasion for a drive for a big lot of money to fix up Cape Cod canal so that it will be of more practical use. A feature of the program is a day's outing afloat on which the delegates will be taken on a sail through the canal.

In order to make the most of the opportunity, members of the Congress committee on rivers and harbors are to be taken along as guests of Mayor Curley of Boston, who is trying to impress the government with the advisability of spending $30,000,000 on the sand hole to broaden and deepen the channel and otherwise reconstruct it so that vessels of large size can sail through it without touching bottom.

Having persuaded the government to buy the ditch from the company which dug it and afterwards found that it did not attract Atlantic shipping enough to pay the interest on its investment, the promoters of the development scheme are laying stress on the point that, now that the government owns the canal it should lay money out to improve it.

The attitude of the Waterways association towards this proposal will be interesting to follow. That association's primary purpose is to encourage the construction of a line of inland and protected canals along the Atlantic coast. It long ago recognized the desirability of a cut-off between Boston bay and Long Island sound, and was interested in a navigable water course from Taunton river to the vicinity of Quincy bay.

Such a canal would fit into its plans admirably. But meanwhile the Cape Cod canal was opened by private interests and finally unloaded upon the government. Now the Waterways association is being urged to get behind the $30,000,000 outlay for a waterway that meets the association's original purpose in only a limited degree, since the run between the canal entrance and Long Island sound carries the dangers of an ocean voyage.

At least the coming of the convention to Boston affords an occasion for reminding the association of its first love and to point out that the expenditure of $30,000,000 of government money could provide a worth-while inland waterway according to the association's original ideas to open a route between Taunton river and Boston harbor.

WINCHENDON COURIER 9/17/31

When Mayor Curley's five-day week program goes into operation next January the city employees will have an opportunity to do lots of chores around the house. This should make a big hit with the women of Boston, so that when Mr. Curley wants more votes he will be able to count on the women to support him one hundred percent.

BROCKTON TIMES 9/18/31

THE ANSWER IS CERTAINLY

Didn't our mayor and Mayor Curley of Boston team up pretty well? Everywhere the smiling pair was seen Jim was doffing his derby and Harold was lifting his felt hat. And we bet their hands and arms are tired after all that hand-shaking.

LOWELL SUN 9/22/31

Isn't it a rather strange step for Mayor Curley of Boston to address every democrat in congress in behalf of the candidacy of Gov. Roosevelt of New York for the presidency? It is too soon to commit the democracy to any particular candidate.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 9/22/31

HUB FINANCIAL MEN JOIN IN PRAISE OF BEAN

Mayor Curley Lauds Honesty of His Advice in Post Columns

Boston, Sept. 22—Representative leaders of Boston's financial community, officers of banks, prominent brokers, business men and editors, joined yesterday in paying tribute to Arthur J. Bean, financial editor of the Boston Post, who died suddenly Sunday night.

Tremendous Loss

These men had known Mr Bean intimately and were deeply shocked by his death. They regarded him highly as a friend and a colleague. As financial advisor and writer, they respected his judgment and opinions and expressed a deep sense of personal loss in his unexpected death.

Mayor Curley, last night issued the following statement:—

"The untimely death of Arthur J. Bean is a loss not only to his family but to every citizen of the commonwealth and more particularly to the readers of the Boston Post. The advice furnished by him through the financial columns of the Boston Post was so unusual and honest in character as to win for him a following greater than enjoyed by any financial adviser in New England.

"Though constantly harassed by the exacting requirements of his work, he was never too busy to devote time and thought to the helping of his countless friends. A kindly, gentle, courteous and honorable soul has passed from our midst to the eternal peace which a life of service merits for him."

Bernard W. Trafford, vice-chairman of the board of directors, the First National bank of Boston, said:—

Mr Bean had developed a large following throughout New England, which watched his daily comments with keenest interest. He was not only an analyst, but a sound judge of security values."

Walter S. Bucklin, president of the National Shawmut bank, stated:—

Fine Character"

"The officers of the Shawmut bank extend their sincere sympathy to the Boston Post in their loss of Arthur Bean. He was a real friend of Boston and New England and his absence from business and social circles will be deeply felt."

Charles E. Rogerson, president of the Boston Safe Deposit and Trust company, stated:—

"The sudden passing on of Arthur J. Bean has brought sadness to the legion of readers whose almost only contact with him was through his daily financial columns in the Boston Post. No one could read those well-stately, timely financial articles without seeing the fine character of the man and realizing that his only motive was to intelligently give his readers dependable, unbiased financial news."

Frederick A. Carroll, vice-president of the National Shawmut bank, said:—

"Arthur Bean was not only a recognized expert on financial matters, but he was always a helpful and friendly person. I knew him for a long time and I know that a great many people have been helped by his advice and friendly counsel. It was a great shock to learn of his death."

Frank D. Comerford, president of the New England Power association, said: "The death of Mr Bean is a great loss. He had a fund of information and a great power of analysis. He had the gift of presenting in a clear and interesting way the most complicated of economic conditions."

Daniel W. Gurnett of the firm of Gurnett & Company, said: "I have always had a great deal of respect for Mr Bean as a financial writer and a friend. He was very well informed and his opinion carried a great deal of weight. Everyone liked him personally and his death is a great loss to the Boston financial district."

James Dean, president of the Boston Stock Exchange, stated: "I have known Arthur J. Bean for many years and had a high regard for him, both as a man and as a writer. His financial columns were interesting and helpful, and I join with his many friends in this expression of regret at his death."

George S. Mumford, president of the Atlantic National bank, stated: "The death of Mr Bean is a distinct loss to Boston. He had a remarkable fund of information and his articles were widely read."

James J. Phelan of Hornblower & Weeks, said:—

"In the passing away of Mr Bean, New England and especially our Boston community has met with a tremendous loss. As an economist, financial writer and one who had boundless faith in his country, its political, economical and financial stability, Mr Bean was outstanding. His was an optimistic, cheerful nature, but always of the sane and sound kind. I enjoyed and with much benefit, reading what he had to say."

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 9/23/31

ASKS DISARMAMENT AS WAR DEBT PRICE

Mayor Curley Would Also Repeal Prohibition to Offset Loss of Revenue.

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MESSENGER MARBLEHEAD 9/18/31

AT SPECIAL MEETING ON AUTO INSURANCE

Among those present at the special session before Mayor James M. Curley last week at Boston, when it was voted to ask Governor Ely to call a special session of the Legislature to investigate the compulsory automobile insurance law and its operation, was Town Counsel Raymond H. Trefry of Marblehead, representing the Board of Selectmen.

Mayor Curley favored a demerit system of 10 per cent. increase after the first accident, 20 per cent. additional after the second, and 5 per cent. increase after the third, and ruling off the roads of the state for all time after the fourth. Frank A. Goodwin of the Boston Finance Commission and former registrar of motor vehicles, argued that without a merit system there could be no demerit system.

Town Clerk Richard Tutt had previously sent a letter to state officials voicing the protest of the Selectmen against the proposed increase in compulsory auto rates.

FALL RIVER HERALD 9/22/31

Major Walsh to Be Buried Tomorrow

CLINTON, Sept. —The body of Maj. Thomas L. Walsh, brother and law partner of United States Senator David I. Walsh, was brought to the Water street home of the family here yesterday morning.

Throughout the day the funeral bier was passed by an unbroken line of friends and political associates extending sympathy. Hundreds of floral pieces were received at the home, and telegrams of condolence came from all parts of the country. Many senatorial colleagues of Senator Walsh wired their sympathy.

The three sisters, the Misses Mary, Hannah and Julia Walsh, preferred not to announce the names of those who sent telegrams or flowers. Complete arrangements for the funeral will be announced today although it was made known yesterday that a solemn high mass of requiem will be celebrated in St. John's church, tomorrow at 10 a. m., and that burial will be in the family lot in Clinton cemetery.

Gov. Ely and Mayor Curley of Boston were among those sending telegrams. The Governor wired Senator Walsh: "What can I say my dear senator, in this hour of your great sorrow. My heart goes out to you and your sisters and brothers. I mourn with you. Shall attend funeral, of course."

QUINCY NEWS 9/23/31

What Price Modesty?



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SALEM NEWS 9/23/31

CONVENTION OF MASS. FIREMEN AT SWAMPSCOTT

Opened With Ball Game This Morning; James S. Koen of Salem Presiding Officer; Two-Day Program

The 52d annual convention of the Massachusetts State Firemen's association opened today at the New Ocean house, Swampscott, and will continue through tomorrow evening. President James S. Koen, deputy chief of the Salem fire department will preside. Chief Edward E. Chase of Lynn and Chief James Warnock of Swampscott will act as hosts at the convention.

There will be addresses today by Mayor J. Fred Manning of Lynn; Timothy A. Curtin, president of the Lynn city council; Sen. William F. Shanahan and R. Wyer Greene, chairman of the Swampscott board of selectmen.

At tomorrow's session, the speakers will include Mayor James M. Curley of Boston; Atty. Gen. Joseph E. Warner; State Fire Marshal John W. Reth, William H. O'Brien of the department of public utilities; Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin of Boston, ex-Mayor Ralph S. Bauer of Lynn; Peter E. Carr, commissioner of public safety at Lawrence; ex-Fire Commissioner Theodore A. Glynn of Boston and W. E. Leighton of the bureau of explosives. The annual memorial address will be delivered by the Rev. George W. Casey of Swampscott. The ladies' auxiliary is headed by Mrs. Flora C. Day of Lynn.

The convention got away this morning with a baseball game between the Salem and Lynn Firemen's baseball teams.

BEVERLY TIMES 9/24/31

Cooperative Bankers Meet at Swampscott

Following the registration of some 350 members of the Massachusetts Cooperative Bankers' League, who will attend the three-day convention at the New Ocean House in Swampscott, yesterday a reception was held under the personal direction of Pres. Herbert F. Taylor, Jr., of Wakefield and of the Boston Cooperative Bank. The evening's program consisted mostly of entertainment and dancing. The major events of the program will be featured this evening at the convention banquet. Mayor James M. Curley of Boston is expected to address the banquet with Bank Commissioner Arthur Guy, Senator Moses of New Hampshire and others. Some six or eight papers will be presented by the bankers at their business session tomorrow morning and afternoon. The election of league officers will be held Friday morning at the concluding session of the members.

FALL RIVER HERALD-NEWS 9/23/31

STATE FIREMEN'S CONVENTION OPENS

BOSTON, Sept. 23.—About 1000 firemen and members of the ladies' auxiliary attended the opening of the 52d annual convention of the State Firemen's Association at the New Ocean house, Swampscott, yesterday.

The convention is being held on invitation of the Lynn fire department and as a tribute to Chief Edward E. Chase of that department. Chief Chase retires Oct. 1 after 46 years' service, 19 of which he has been chief.

Members of the Swampscott board of selectmen and Mayor J. Fred Manning of Lynn welcomed the firemen yesterday. Last night a dance was held at the hotel.

At the session today, at which James F. Keon of Salem, president of the associaion, will preside, the speakers will be Mayor Curley, Atty. Gen. Joseph E. Warner, Fire Commissioner James F. McLaughlin of Boston, State Fire Marshal John W. Reth, Theodore A. Glynn, former Boston fire commisioner, and former Mayor Ralph S. Bauer of Lynn. A parade also will be held in Lynn today.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 9/23/31

Eagles to Stand Ground in Boston

The decision to stage this year's Holy Cross-Boston College football game at Fenway park on Nov. 28 undoubtedly will cost the athletic treasuries of these two colleges considerable revenue.

Dartmouth and Stanford will meet in the Harvard stadium on the same afternoon and the competition which their tempting intersectional clash will furnish the annual Jesuit college fixture is certain to be keen.

It would have been much wiser, it seems, to have transferred the H. C.-B. C. classic to Worcester this fall—not on Saturday, Nov. 28, when it still would conflict with the Stanford - Dartmouth game, but on Thanksgiving Day. Then the Crusaders and Eagles could have the gridiron stage all to themselves, as has been the case in previous years.

Holy Cross officials, it is understood, made every effort to have the 1930 game played in this city. But Boston College refused its consent for reasons which never have been clearly explained. Perhaps the Eagle authorities did not wish to feel that they were being chased out of Boston by Dartmouth and its attractive rival from the Pacific coast.

They have been staging their classic with the Crusaders on the Saturday after Thanksgiving for many years now and had come to regard this date as one belonging solely to them so far as New England football was concerned. That they did not relish the so-called intrusion of Dartmouth and Stanford this year was plainly evident in the Spring, when B. C. alumni protested to Mayor Curley against Harvard's action in permitting Dartmouth and Stanford to use the Harvard stadium. Mayor Curley at that time refused Dartmouth and Stanford permission to play in the stadium, but later changed his stand when the B. C. alumni withdrew their protest.

The shifting of the game to Worcester, then, seemed the next logical move, particularly from a financial point of view. But B. C. evidently figured that there are times when it is better to uphold tradition than to worry about gate receipts. And that this was one of those times.

This may not be the true story at all. Perhaps the B. C. authorities feel that the competition from the Dartmouth - Stanford game will not reduce the size of the crowd in attendance at the H. C.-B. C. contest. Perhaps there are other reasons which have not been brought to light.

Anyway, whatever the reason, Worcester folks will have to travel to Boston and sit in the not-so-good football seats of a baseball park if they wish to see the Crusaders in action against the Eagles this fall.

1932 Game Fair Test

While it is regretted that the 1931 contest will not be played here on Thanksgiving Day, it is a source of real joy to Worcester football fans to know that these ancient Jesuit college rivals will clash at Fitton Field next year.

The 1932 game here will be something of a test affair. If it proves successful from a standpoint of attendance (and there is no reason to believe that it won't), it seems certain that the Eagles will come here every two years in the future.

As a test, the 1932 game in Worcester will be much better from the Holy Cross standpoint than it would be to have the Eagles come here this year on Saturday, Nov. 28. The contest still would be conflicting with the Dartmouth-Stanford game on that day, and its patronage might suffer to some extent as a result.

The two colleges can gain a much fairer idea of the Worcester drawing power of a Holy Cross-Boston College game in 1932. There will be no counter attraction then. And it seems certain that the contest will prove conclusively that Worcester is large enough and sufficiently football-minded to house gridiron conflicts of H. C.-B. C. proportions.

Morning Games?

Football in the Worcester high schools is looking up. An excellent gridiron has been built on the high school athletic field with a promise of permanent and adequate stands in the future; the public high school coaches have been granted assistants to help them rear their teams; and, for the first time in many seasons, Worcester public school elevens will play host to strong teams from other cities.

All of these things point to a greater interest in schoolboy football here. And Worcester, it appears, has been much too negligent concerning the support of its schoolboy athletes in past years. School football flourishes in a great many other cities. There is no reason why it should not create a great amount of whole-hearted enthusiasm and interest here.

There is this drawback, however. Practically all of the games with out-of-town teams which are to be played here have been scheduled for Saturdays, the only day on which these games would not interfere with school work. With Holy Cross, Worcester Tech and Worcester Academy also playing their football on Saturday, it is reasonable to believe that the attendance at the schoolboy contests is bound to suffer.

Other college cities get around this by having their schoolboy games played on Saturday morning, say at 10.30 o'clock. In an effort to help create a new and needed interest in schoolboy football, wouldn't it be worth giving the morning contests a trial here?

MILFORD NEWS 9/22/31

THE CURLEY PLAN

Mayor Curley's plan to put certain municipal employees on a five-day week without reduction in "salaries" can be studied better when it begins to operate. The mayor's announcement bravely implied the retention of six days' pay for five days' work. But this is not a time when public payrolls can be burdened with any increase in rates of pay. Mayor Curley knows this as well as anybody; in fact, he has shown himself eager to prevent an advance in the city's tax rate by more than a moderate amount, such as would seem suitable for a period when additional expenses were necessary to provide employment and relieve distress. On its face, Mayor Curley's announcement calls for an increase in the number of municipal employees at prevailing "salaries." But it is stated that the police, fire, school, hospital and institutions departments are not affected. The classes of labor chiefly affected will be those in the public works department. It is to be assumed that a majority of these employees are on an hourly wage, or a weekly wage calling for a specified number of hours of work.

It is obvious that where an hourly wage is paid the hours per week can be reduced and more men hired without increase in the wage bill. But if each man is to receive the same weekly wage as formerly and less work is required of him, the public wage bill will rise. In the case of common labor working at a relatively low rate some such dilution of efficiency might be expedient in some circumstances as an alternative to public aid in the form of charity. But as a general wage policy Mayor Curley's plan is impossible of application without an increase in public costs that no one can contemplate with equanimity at a time when large-scale public and private expenditures for the relief of industrial unemployment are imperative. As Chairman Howard of the state commission on administration and finance says, "the plan makes inescapable either an increase of one-sixth in the expenditures of the city or a cut of one-sixth in the wages of employees to allow for the increased number of employees required to get the work done."

Mayor Curley's proposal is likely to look less formidable when—and if—steps are taken to put it into effect.

WORCESTER POST 9/23/31

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FRAMINGHAM NEWS 9/13/31

Historic Boston Plans Real Celebration For Washington

Boston, Sept. 23 (INS)—This city, long one of the pillars of the foundation of the United States, overbrimming with historic tradition and the scene of many an historic event, is planning to play a significent part in the nation-wide program for the George Washington Bicentennial celebration in 1932. An impressive program is now underway.

Committees have been appointed to supervise the celebration of practically every point of interest, of every holiday throughout the year of 1932 with added events, parades, miniature reproductions of battles, Paul Revere's ride, marking of sites. exhibits reminiscent of Revolutionary days. and other features.

An executive Bicentennial committee has been authorized by Mayor Curley. Several of its members were actively associated in the arrangement of the Massachusetts Bay Tercentenary celebration of 1930. Preparations for the gala program will be conducted with the cooperation of the City Bureau of Public Celebations, and the Citizens' Public Celebration Association.

A special feature which the Boston committee proposes, and which involves many outside comunities, in addition to pageantry parades and historic features of the holidays, is to reproduce one of the journeys that George Washington made through New England.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/23/31

PLANNING FOR BICENTENNIAL

Boston, Sept. 23.—The city of Boston is preparing to play a significant part in the nation-wide programme for the George Washington bicentennial celebration in 1932.

Mayor James M. Curley has authorized an official committee and the executive committee has been named and is now functioning, with Thomas A. Mullen as chairman. The secretary of the committee, E. B. Mero, and several of its members were actively associated in the organization and conduct of the Massachusetts Bay tercentenary of 1930. They will bring to the bicentennial committee the fruit of that experience.

Mayor Curley has indicated that the comprehensive system for the observance of public holidays which has been built up in Boston the past dozen years will be utilized and

WINTHROP REVIEW 9/25/31

Mayor Eulogized Denis McCarthy

Widow Shows Letter Written To Her At Time of Poet's Death

When Denis A. McCarthy, the poet, former resident of Winthrop, died a month ago a letter of condolence was sent to his widow by Mayor James M. Curley, which she released Saturday.

The letter read as follows:

Mrs. Denis A. McCarthy,
7 Acton Street,
Arlington Heights, Mass.

Dear Mrs. McCarthy:

It is extremely difficult to realize that the brilliant voice of your loving husband has been stilled forever. His contribution to the literature of the present generation, depicting the life and character of the Irish people; his deep sense of patriotism; his splendid rise over obstacles which would have blocked the pathway in life of the great majority of men; leaves indeed a hallowed memory.

I admired Mr. McCarthy for the high standard in life which he so faithfully carried out; for his cheerful optimism, and the manner in which he could reach the hearts of men.

May Divine Providence in its infinite mercy constantly attend you during these sad hours.

Sincerely yours,
JAMES M. CURLEY,
Mayor.

9/24/31
NORTH ADAMS TRANSCRIPT

No Agreement Reached

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SPRINGFIELD UNION 9/24/31

Mayor's Committee on Auto Rates Adjourns

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LEOMINSTER ENTERPRISE 9/26/31

—Representative Fred L. Butler, Atty. J. Ward Healey, Fred A. Whitney, Mrs. Alex P. MacLaren and Walter N. Howe, attended the meeting of the Masschusetts Co-operative Bank League at Swampscott the past few days. U. S. Senator George H. Moses of New Hampshire and Mayor James M. Curley, Boston, were the two principal speakers at the banquet Thursday night.

NORTH ADAMS CHRONICLE 9/25/31

—Mayor Curley yesterday pledged his co-operation and support to the movement among Rotarians to bring the 1933 convention of the Rotary International to Boston.

—A session of the probate court was held today in Attleboro.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/23/31

Mayor Curley yesterday called upon Park Commissioner Long for a survey of park department activities with a view of giving work to unemployed men during the winter. He pointed out that last year the new golf course gave employment to 400, and that this winter 200 could be put to work pulling stumps and beautifying the golf course.

EAST BOSTON LEADER 9/25/31

"Blood In His Eye"

Deplores Slurs At Conditions On The Island And Says That Good Words, Rather Than Criticism Should Be In Order—Talks of Hulks On Condor Street and About Other Matters

September 25: The Little Shaver is a bit disappointed. That big brother of ours is spoofing us. Last week he told us that those darn old hulks at Condor street were going to go places. He told us and the rest of the 70,000 that Mr. Silverman, the Corporation Counsel of Boston, was going to allow the land owners five days and no more to clean up the mess on the outside edges of East Boston. We, are in a wee bit of a quandary. Please tell the Little Shaver when this five day period commences. No fooling this time.

The City of Boston Law Department is acting now. If we believe or two ago and now the B. of T wants us to write them a lot of letters and tell them how to do it. What a bunch. Is it any wonder we have been waiting for thirty years for improvements, with a crowd like that?

Just like everything else Sparkey the Leader tries to get things started and you fellows grab right onto it and get things all mussed up and then grab off all the honors or try to grab them. The way you big shots started it didn't look as though you needed any help. The waterfront was going to be cleaned up right away. All the dumps were going to be moved over to Commonwealth avenue, an

HYDE PARK GAZETTE TIMES 9/24/31

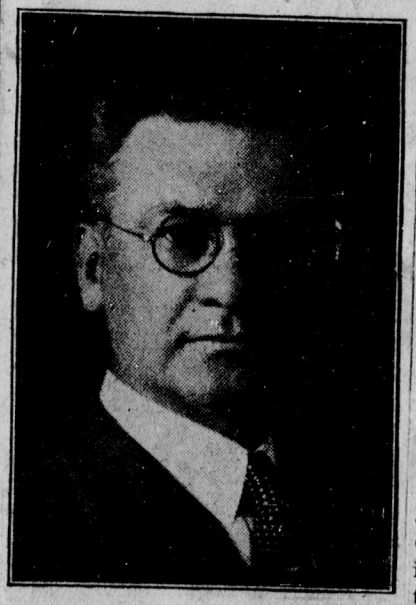
TO DEDICATE MEMORIAL TO G. A. R. VETERANS SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Mayor James M. Curley To Be Principal Speaker—Gov. Joseph B. Ely And Cong. McCormack, Of Dorchester, To Participate In Exercises.

Feature Will Be Parade Of All Veterans' Organizations Preceding Exercises.



MAYOR JAMES M. CURLEY
Speaker at G. A. R. Tablet Dedication, Sunday, Sept. 27



WILLIAM L. ANDERSON
Chairman of the G. A. R. Tablet Fund Committee

The G. A. R. Memorial Tablet will be dedicated Sunday, September 27, at 3 P. M. The dedication will take place at Memorial Park at the corner of Hyde Park avenue and Harvard avenue.

The dedication will be preceded by a parade through the district. Mr. Chisholm, of Cecil Fogg Post, A. L., will be the marshal of parade. Orders have been issued for all who are to parade to assemble at the corner of River and Cleveland streets at 2:30 P. M.

The veterans of the Civil War will ride in autos donated by citizens of Hyde Park. Residents are requested to put out their American flags all day Sunday.

The program is as follows: Invocation, Rev. Father Crowley; opening address, Wm. L. Anderson; introduction of Civil War veterans; solo, "Tenting Tonight," Greta Milos; The Nation, Congressman John W. McCormack; band selection, Cecil Fogg Post Band; The State, Hon. James H. Brennan; Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, W. L. Anderson, Jr.; Flag raising, Dedication of Tablet and Civil War camera; singing of "America" by school children; acceptance of Tablet, Commander Boynton, G. A. R.; The City, Hon. James M. Curley, orator of the day; "Star Spangled Banner," Greta Milos; prayer, Rev. Mr. George W. Owen; band selection, Cecil Fogg Post Band.

During the dedicatory ceremony, an army airplane will fly over the park and drop some small American flags as a tribute from the U. S. Army.

Every man, woman and child in Hyde Park should turn out to honor not only the members of the G. A. R. who have answered the last roll-call, and pay a tribute of respect to the living membesr who responded to the call of Lincoln in 1861.

One hundred ninety-five have contributed the fifty dollars needed to complete the fund.

William L. Anderson, chairman of the Memorial Tablet Committee, announces that all arrangements for the dedication have been completed, and nothing remains but to have the citizens be present at the dedication. Thomas Devine has been appointed aide to the G. A. R. veterans; Thomas McMahon, of Hyde Park Board of Trade, chairman of reception committee; Mrs. Mary Maxwell, chairman of committee on decorations at tablet; Ivory Morse, chairman of committee on arrangements; Mrs. Doctor Stack, committee to arrange for school children.

Miss Marion Evans will unveil tablet. The Civil War cannon will be presented by Commander James Flynn, of Post 26, G. A. R., of Roxbury.

Mrs. Kiggen, of the A. L. Auxiliary, and Mrs. Charles Taylor, of Current Events, the committee on invitations, have mailed 200 invitations.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 9/23/31

Curley Would Cancel War Debts if World Disarms

BOSTON, Sept. 22—(AP) Cancelation of foreign war debts on condition that the world disarm was urged today by Mayor James M. Curley as he signed a disarmament petition of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. The petition will be filed with President Hoover. Mayor Curley appealed to the league's delegates to start a crusade to force the Government to take advantage of its leadership in the money market by making the world disarm.

CHRONICLE, ATHOL, 9/22/31

WORLD DISARMAMENT CARAVAN EXPECTED TO PASS THROUGH ATHOL

The World Disarmament Caravan of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, which is concluding its long coast to coast tour to roll up one million signatures on its disarmament petition to be presented first to President Hoover and then to the Geneva Conference, is expected to pass through Athol this afternoon, Wednesday, Sept. 23. The next stop of the Caravan will be in Holyoke on Wednesday evening where a dinner is being arranged.

Boston greeted the Caravaners in an official welcome given by Traffic Commissioner Joseph A. Conry, on behalf of Mayor James M. Curley at a monster mass meeting on Boston Common on Sunday.

LOWELL TELEGRAM 9/21/31

Five Day Week in Haverhill

The five day working week for street department employes has gone into effect in Haverhill, but the Curley system of expanding the municipal payroll is not being followed. On the contrary, the workers receive five days' pay for five days' service, while a number of the unemployed are receiving the benefit of one day's work each week. Just how this will work out remains to be seen, but, obviously, it is more equitable than the project of the Boston mayor to raise the wages of the regular force as a means of helping the fellow out of work.

Of course, this means a somewhat smaller pay envelope for the regular street workers at Haverhill, and for that reason may not be popular with the men affected. However, the assurance of five days work a week at the prevailing rates of municipal wages is a fairly comfortable situation to face at a time when so many men are clamoring for only sufficient work to enable them to pay their rent, as is reported to be the case at Haverhill. This is a logical and fair application of the five-day-week program, but for political reasons Mayor Curley and some lesser politicians in other cities seem to lack the courage to adopt it.

TAUNTON GAZETTE, 9/23/31

BOSTON—Mayor Curley agrees to have Texas Guinan and her show appear in the Boston Garden for the benefit of the unemployed on a future date not yet determined.

HAVERHILL GAZETTE 9/24/31

Sensitive Roxbury

Roxbury, it should not be necessary to remark, is part of Boston. Everyone knows its geographic relationshipp to the quondam Hub. And now everyone knows its intellectual and cultural kinsmanship. Indeed, although Boston is divided into more parts than Gaul, it is one in its sensitiveness to exhibitions of the human figure, one in its urge to censorship.

Roxbury has just demonstrated its accord to the censorious Hub. Apparently no books were at hand to be suppressed and not plays readily available for banning. So Roxbury turned its eyes toward the statues at the entrance to the new Mission Hill Public library building and found them nude!

Shocking! Disgraceful! So Roxbury protested and Mayor Curley, true to the practices that have made his city a laughing stock among enlightened persons, ordered that the granite nudes be draped with granite ribbon.

Thus prudery will be satisfied. Roxbury minds will not be directed more than usual toward contemplation of immodest subjects. And Roxbury faces can be turned toward the district's new seat of culture without blushing.

EDGARTOWN GAZETTE 9/25/31

Island Summer Resident Principal of New School

Dedication ceremonies at the new Mary E. Curley school in Jamaica Plain were held Tuesday with Boston city officials, school dignitaries and some two thousand invited guests in attendance. The headmaster of the new school is John F. McGrath of Oak Bluffs and Boston.

Mr. McGrath presided at the exercises at which Mayor Curley of Boston and Dr. Jeremiah E. Burke, superintendent of the Boston schools, were speakers.

The school is named in honor of the late wife of the Boston mayor who was referred to by Mr. McGrath as "the model of mothers." Francis Curley, youngest son of the mayor, unveiled a tablet in the main hallway of the school.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 9/23/31

GUINAN AIDS JOBLESS.

BOSTON, Sept. 22—(AP) Texas Guinan and her show will appear in the Boston Garden for the benefit of the unemployed under an agreement accepted by Mayor James M. Curley tonight. The night club entertainer and her show have agreed to appear gratis. The management of the Boston Garden has offered the use of the auditorium free of charge.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 9/25/31

ROTARIANS BOOST HUB FOR CONVENTION

BOSTON, Sept. 25.—In the hope that Mayor Curley would co-operate in every possible way in the movement to land the next International Rotary convention in Boston in 1933, a group of Rotarians called at city hall yesterday and outlined their plans. Robert E. Huen of Richmond, Ind., first vice-president; Howard H. Feighner of Chicago, convention manager; Roger Prescott, president of the Boston Rotary, and A. H. Marchant, past president and chairman of the international service committee, told the mayor that if the convention could come to Boston, the city would benefit by at least $1,500,000 in expenditures.

WORCESTER POST 9/24/31

Automobile Insurance Committee Adjourns

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LOWELL SUN 9/25/31

Tipperary Team Now In Boston

BOSTON, Sept. 25—What with attending dinners and trotting here and there, the visiting Irish hurling players from Tipperary will be a very tired lot if they do not take a rest before Sunday.

Guests of Mayor Curley yesterday at a dinner tendered at the Boston City club, the boys went sightseeing in the afternoon and in the evening were guests of the Galway men's association at their annual dance at Hibernian hall, Roxbury.

Capt. John Joe Callahan has announced that he will take his men to Cambridge this morning to practice at Soldiers field for the game at Dilboy field against Massachusetts.

Dan Breen, who is sponsoring the tour, has every hope of packing the Somerville park.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 9/24/31

...Rocheleau's announcement put an end to rumors relative to the Democratic attitude on alderman-at-large candidates. Atty. George F. Foley, who ran for district attorney last year, and who has been prominently mentioned as a possible candidate for the city office, said this morning that since Mr. Rocheleau had announced himself, he would not become a candidate. "As far as I am concerned," Foley said, Mr. Rocheleau will have no contest for the office. I have been considering it for some time and have received many requests to run, but, Mr. Rocheleau having come into the field, I will not run against him. I congratulate the Democratic party in Worcester in having a candidate of Mr. Rocheleau's standing and character, and I wish him every success."

LOWELL SUN 9/25/31

Nota Bene

Mayor Curley will let Tex Guinan give her torrid show in Boston even if Waltham bans it—which is tough on the City of Quincy.

RED TAPE - SEPT. 1931

OFFSETTING MACHINES.

(By James Curley,

Mayor of Boston, Announcing a Five-Day Week for City Employes Beginning in January.)

The fipe-day week is here. We are going to institute it in Boston in January and we hope the example set by the city may be generally accepted by every other community in America.

There is no other answer if the inventive genius of the American nation robs the people of America of 3,000,000 opportunities for a livelihood in ten years. If, as the economists state, in the next ten years 4,000,000 more opportunities will vanish, there is only one answer, and that is the adoption of the five-day week.

You increase the number of employes by 16 per cent, and you offset the vanishing job.

FERGUSON AND ROCHELEAU IN DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE RACE

Former Seeks Mayoralty and Latter Is Candidate for Nomination as Alderman-at-Large, So Far Unopposed—Mayoralty Candidate Pledges Reduction of Real Estate Valuations — Foley Withdraws When Rocheleau Enters

A new angle was injected into the Democratic situation this morning when James H. Ferguson and H. Oscar Rocheleau announced themselves as candidates for mayor and alderman-at-large, respectively.

Mr. Rocheleau was born in Worcester and received his early education in the public schools here. He entered Holy Cross college, graduating with the class of 1897. He became part owner and vice president of the Rhodes & Ripley Clothing Co., and while working much of the time in Boston, always made his residence here. He was owner of several retail stores, including the store which was located for 43 years at Front and Church strsets, a store that was conducted by three generations of the Rocheleau family. He retired from the clothing business in 192 and is now an importer of rugs.

Prominent in Party

Mr. Rocheleau has taken a prominent part in the activities of the Democratic party. In 1926 he campaigned throughout the state with Mayor James A. Curley of Boston, when Curley was candidate for governor and Mr. Rocheleau was candidate for state auditor.

He was appointed license commissioner by the late Mayor George M. Wright and he served two terms, resigning in 1918. He was a delegate-at-large to the national Democratic convention at St. Louis, and was one of the electors to notify the late President Wilson that he had been nominated. He is a member of the national Democratic committee and the state committee; St. Jeanne Baptiste society; Conseil Franchere of L'Union St. Jeanne Baptiste society of America; L'Union Canadienne society; Alhambra council, K. of C., and the Commercial Travelers. He was a director of the old Park Trust company from its inception to the end of its activities.

MARITIME EXCHANGE BULLETIN, SEPT. 1931



TROPHY PRESENTED BY MAYOR JAMES M. CURLEY, IN BEHALF OF THE CITY OF BOSTON FOR GOLF COMPETITION BETWEEN THE MARITIME ASSOCIATION OF THE BOSTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE NEW YORK MARITIME EXCHANGE

Left to Right: C. CAMPBELL PATTERSON, JR., Chairman Boston Maritime Association Golf Committee; GERRIT FORT, President of the Boston Maritime Association; FRANK S. DAVIS, Manager of the Boston Maritime Association; CAPT. J. C. REICHERT, Chairman New York Maritime Exchange Golf Committee.

Boston Maritime Association and New York Maritime Exchange Engage in Golf Match

BOSTON ROYALLY ENTERTAINS NEW YORK VISITORS

As announced in the August issue of the MARITIME EXCHANGE BULLETIN, a golf match between representatives of the Maritime Association of the Boston Chamber of Commerce and the New York Maritime Exchange was held at the Brookline Country Club, Brookline, Mass., on Monday, August 10.

The match was arranged as a result of a suggestion made last year by Frank S. Davis, Manager of the Boston Maritime Association, on one of his visits to the New York Maritime Exchange, the original intention being to have the first match held last fall, which, however, was not found practicable. This year the matter was again taken up and referred by each organization to a Golf Committee, that of Boston being under the chairmanship of C. Campbell Patterson, Jr., the New York interests being placed in the hands of the regular Golf Committee, Captain J. C. Reichert, chairman.

The delegation from New York proceeded to Boston via steamer sailing on Sunday night, August 9, and upon arrival at Boston on the following morning, Manager Frank S. Davis, of the Boston Maritime Association, met the party and provided transportation to the Brookline Country Club, the oldest of its kind in Boston.

The event was honored by the active participation in the match of Mayor James M. Curley, of Boston, and President Gerrit Fort, of the Boston Maritime Association. John P. Magill, Special Representative, was present, representing President John Dowd, of the New York Maritime Exchange, who found it impossible to attend. The report of Mr. Magill in this connection, presented to the Board of Directors at the regular monthly meeting held on August 10, will be found on page 5 of this issue, and will no doubt prove of interest.

Boston Martime Association and New York Maritime Association Engage in Golf Match

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Photographs furnished through the courtesy of Manager Davis are reproduced herewith, showing the competing groups, and also the cup presented by Mayor Curley, for the City of Boston, to be contested for in a series of three tournaments between the two Associations.

It is expected that a return match, the second in the series, will be held here about September 21, definite arrangements for which will shortly be announced.

The outcome of the first match was somewhat disappointing from the New York standpoint, resulting 18½-8½ in favor of Boston. A summary follows:

BOSTON		NEW YORK	
Wakeman-Patterson	1	Wade-Christensen	2
Mullaney-Freeman	3	Olsen-Strachan	0
Sorge-Graham	3	Young-Beardell	0
P. Wiggin-Libby	½	Brown-Powell	2½
Curley-H. Wiggin	1	Dowd-Williams	2
Hamlin-Clarke	3	Randle-Dougherty	0
M. Wiggin-Fort	1	Reichert-Lambert	2
Sides-Doyle	3	Hofmann-Flynn	0
Sawyer-Conant	3	Ray-Downer	0
	18½		8½

ROSLINDALE TRANSCRIPT 8/18/31

IS BUSINESS READY FOR A FIVE DAY WEEK?

Mayor James M. Curley professes to see in a five day working week for city employees a panacea for all unemployment ills. He plans to get five days work for six days pay and put all new employees on the same wage basis. Industry is today 25 percent five day week throughout the country.

To this plan Thomas Cutmore, president of the Massachusetts Real Estate Association offers violent protest, asserting that it will add $2,500,000 to the city payroll and increase the tax bill $1.50 per thousand. He has counseled all taxpayers to oppose the plan.

On the same line Howard Coonley, president of the Walworth Company, declares that business management, and not government, must assume the burden and the responsibility of readjustment, and in this he is supported by over two hundred business executives of greater Boston.

Finally Roger W. Babson, while admitting that the five day plan has some virtue as a temporary expedient, would not go so far as to give six days pay for five days work. That, he maintains, is really an increase in pay, and the country is not ready for it. Taxpayers are already overburdened.

THE BOSTON REVIEW 8/29/31

ONE GREAT ISSUE

An issue that has popped to the front in connection with Democratic politics in Massachusetts should appeal to those who are not entirely devoid of a sense of humor. The issue is this:

"Now that Mayor Curley has placed himself fairly and squarely on the Roosevelt band-wagon, taking a prominent part among the star musicians, shall a candidate for President supported by Mayor Curley be permitted to have the votes of the Massachusetts delegation?"

In other words, a section of the Massachusetts leadership is not concerned so much with the availability and prestige of the man who shall lead the Democracy in the campaign of 1932 as it is with the idea that no man should be nominated for President who is supported by Mayor Curley and who, presumably, would show his appreciation of such support in the event of his election.

It is very well known that the Republican leaders in Massachusetts are not over-confident of success, for the Republican leadership has allowed itself to be unhappily disunited because of the prohibition issue. The wets are openly and aggressively wet, and they refuse to join longer in the hypocritical methods which have characterized the treatment of prohibition by Republican conventions and platforms. They point to the undoubted fact that the farm board, provided with funds by the national government, is lending money to grape-growers for the admitted purpose of enabling the growers to finance their manufacture of grape concentrates and grape bricks, both products being for the purpose of making it easy for the people of the United States to obtain alcoholic drinks in defiance of the Federal constitution.

Inasmuch as the Republicans are hopelessly snarled, perhaps they are not in a position to appreciate the remarkable issue now facing the Democrats of Massachusetts. In other words, Mayor Curley has become a national figure by being made what, to all intents and purposes, is a national issue.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 9/28/31

BOSTON MAYOR HONORS MRS. CARL L. SCHRADER

Special Dispatch to The Gazette

BOSTON, Sept. 28.—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston has appointed Mrs. Carl L. Schrader, president of the Massachusetts Federation of Women's clubs to serve on the Women's committee for the reception of delegates to the 24th annual convention of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways association to be held the week of Oct. 5.

TAUNTON GAZETTE 9/29/31

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PITTSFIELD EAGLE 9/29/31

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SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN

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BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 10/2/31

DR. SPELLMAN NEW EXAMINER

Dr. Martin H. Spellman, 475 Commonwealth avenue, Boston, formerly of Whitman, was appointed medical examiner to the Boston fire department by Mayor Curley, yesterday, to succeed Dr. William J. McNally, who has held the position for the past 16 years.

Dr. Spellman was born in Whitman and was graduated from Georgetown University. During the war he served in Evacuation Hospital No. 1, overseas, for 13 months. He is a member of the staff of St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Boston.

Dr. Spellman is married and has three children. He is a brother of Mgr. Francis J. Spellman, secretary to the cardinal secretary of State at the Vatican, and of Dr. John Spellman.

WORCESTER POST 10/1/31

Curley and Ely Work To Prevent Strike of Hub Dock Workers

BOSTON, Oct. 1 (AP)—The danger of a strike of longshoremen along Boston's waterfront was averted today by an agreement the shippers and local members of the Longshoremen's Union to retain the present wage scale until the arrival of the president of the union from New York.

BOSTON, Oct. 1 (AP)—In an effort to avert a threatened general strike of dock workers, which it was feared might tie up the Port of Boston, Mayor James M. Curley and Gov. Joseph B. Ely today summoned leaders of the Longshoremen's Union and steamship representatives into conference.

A meeting of union and steamship representatives already was in progress to consider the longshoremen's demands when word was received that Mayor Curley wished to participate in the conference. The conferees then adjourned to City Hall, but the meeting scarcely had been resumed when Gov. Ely advised that he would be willing to act as an intermediary. Representatives of the opposing factions and the mayor thereupon adjourned to the Governor's office at the State House.

SALEM NEWS 10/2/31

Would Cut Mayor Curley's Pay from $20,000 to $7000

Boston, Oct. 2—A bill to reduce the salary of the mayor of Boston from $20,000 to $7000 will be sponsored in the legislature by the Massachusetts Real Estate Owners' association, it was decided at a meeting of the association held in Ripley hall, Dorchester, last night.

Mrs. Hannah M. Collins, secretary of the association, who offered the bill, said that $7000 was enough for the mayor, considering the present depression, when employes of large business firms are having their salaries cut 20 to 25 per cent.

The association voted to favor a proposal that all city employes, except police and firemen, who "risk" their lives in defense of the home and public safety," should take a 25 per cent cut in pay

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QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 10/2/31

MAYOR URGES ECONOMY IN GOVERNMENT

McGrath Tells Realtors 'Treasury Leaks' Must Be Closed

Stressing the need of economy in municipal government, Mayor Thomas J. McGrath, during his address before the Massachusetts Real Estate Owners' association in Ripley hall, Codman square, Dorchester, last night, urged closing up leaks in city treasuries.

The mayor characterized leaks as a constant drain on the city's resources with the greatest loss being experienced when politicians succeed in getting friends, altogether unfitted for the position, on a city payroll.

Mrs. Hannah M. Connors, secretary of the organization, demanded that Mayor Curley's salary be reduced from $20,000 to $7,000 and she declared that the Massachusetts Real Estate Owners' association is going on record in favor of having a bill presented to the next legislature to bring about this proposed reduction.

Hot Battle Looms to Cure Motor Rates Ills

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 9/30/31

CURLEY GROUP WILL OPPOSE ELY PROPOSALS

Goodwin Offers Five Bills as Insurance Hearings Open.

Boston, Sept. 30.—(UP)—The first real move was made to-day, in connection with the special session of the Massachusetts legislature, to isolate and cure the ills of the compulsory automobile insurance law.

Legislators, insurance company representatives, and citizens assembled in Gardner auditorium at the State House as the committees on judiciary and insurance, sitting jointly, opened the first public hearing on the subject.

The committee had before it Gov. Ely's recommendations for five major revisions in the statute, including adoption of a demerit rating system, and also more than a dozen bills seeking corrective legislation.

Two developments caused considerable discussion as the hearing was getting under way. One was the announcement that the committee of city solicitors and town counsel, appointed at a meeting called by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston recently, would oppose repeal of the present law and also the deductible policy and demerit rating plans sponsored by Gov. Ely.

The other was the action of former Registrar of Motor Vehicles Frank A. Goodwin in filing five bills, including one which would create a State rating and accident bureau.

Sen. Davis Presides.

Sen. J. Bradford Davis, republican, Haverhill, as chairman of the judiciary committee, presided at to-day's hearing. In calling it to order, he pointed to the fact that data pertaining to the insurance problem had been referred to the insurance and judiciary committees, declaring: "This reference is an evidence of confidence in the joint special committee and a challenge for most careful consideration, study and accomplishment on the part of members.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 9/29/31

CURLEY OUT TO SCRAP BOARD OF TAX APPEAL

Instructs City's Council to Draft Bill Providing for Jury Trials

Boston, Sept. 29—Abolition of the state board of tax appeals is the objective of a drive launched by Mayor Curley in an order to Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman to draft a bill for presentation to the Legislature providing for a jury trial in all cases of appeal from decisions of assessors.

The mayor moved after Silverman had called his attention to a decision of the state board, establishing a taxable value of $45,000 on land and buildings at 17-21 Hanover street, which the owners set forth in a sworn statement, November 12, 1930, had a fair cash value of $75,000 and upon which the assessors were willing to place a compromise valuation of $60,000.

The Hanover street case is regarded by the mayor and corporation counsel as the most flagrant of alleged untenable decisions of the state board which has consistently reduced by substantial amounts the valuations set by Boston assessors which they unsuccessfully sought to maintain by expert testimony.

In an attack upon the decisions of the board the mayor was told by Silverman that "the board of tax appeals went so far in one case, recently decided by it, that the petitioners themselves refused to accept the generosity of this board and waived the decision of the board of tax appeals and requested that the board of assessors of the city of Boston make other arrangements with it with reference to the assessments on their property."

The failure of the state board to uphold the judgment of the assessors of Boston and the resultant decrease in valuations has been viewed with grave apprehension by the assessors. They are fearful that a drastic downward revision of property values will be unavoidable if the practice of the state board continues.

A significant phase of the situation which has been growing more serious constantly is the certainty that the state board will be deluged with appeals from property owners of Boston who have declared that they will not accept the valuations fixed by the assessors this year and will avail themselves of the right to seek abatements from the state board.

HERALD-NEWS-FALL RIVER 9/30/31

Curley to Ask $3,000,000 From State for Hospital

BOSTON, Sept. 30—Mayor Curley will ask the Legislature to authorize an additional expenditure of $3,000,000 at the City hospital for the completion of the reconstruction and expansion program which he started in 1922 and which, when finished, will provide a hospital of 2000 bed capacity at a cost of $13,000,000.

Hospital trustees assured the mayor yesterday that if the necessary funds are made available for the replacement by modern pavilions of the buildings in the south department where communicable diseases are treated, for the construction and equipping of a surgical pavilion and for an additional home for nurses, internes and orderlies, no major changes, that can be foreseen, will be necessary for at least 25 years.

BROCKTON TIMES 9/30/31

PRINCE OBJECTS TO ONE PROVISO

City Solicitor Thomas Prince represents Plymouth county on the committee of city solicitors and town counsels appointed by Mayor Curley of Boston, which has submitted recommendations to the legislature relative to compulsory automobile insurance. Mr. Prince is not in accord with one section of the recommendations which provides for the "elimination of liability under said act to guests of the insured while in the car of the assured."

BROCKTON TIMES 9/29/31

K. OF C. LADIES' NIGHT IS OCT. 19

Whitman council, Knights of Columbus, will conduct a ladies' night Oct. 19. The committee has been fortunate in securing Mayor James M. Curley of Boston for the occasion. Other speakers will include State Deputy Joseph M. Kirby, State Secretary Joseph Martin and District Deputy Donald MacLean. First class entertainers will be secured and a caterer will serve the banquet.

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NORWOOD MESSENGER 10/21/31

The Parliamentarians' FORUM

By

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The following distinguished gentlemen constitute the parliamentarians of today's article and will demonstrate the proper use of amendments and main motions. The reader is urged to note especially the forms, or language used; and is asked to employ the same forms when entertaining or offering motions in a meeting:

HON. FRANK G. ALLEN
HON. JAMES M. CURLEY
HON. GASPAR G. BACON
HON. CHARLES H. INNES
HON. FRANK A. GOODWIN
HON. JOHN F. FITZGERALD
MR. HAMILTON PUTNAM

Senator Bacon, president of the Massachusetts Senate, is presiding.

Only One Main Motion at a Time

Mr. Bacon. "The meeting will come to order. The meeting is now open for business."

Mr. Curley. "Mr. Chairman."

Mr. Bacon. "Mr. Curley."

Mr. Curley "I move that we hold a Masquerade Ball the proceeds of which shall be directed toward the relief of the unemployed."

Mr. Goodwin. "I second the motion."

Mr. Bacon. "It has been moved and seconded to hold a Masquerade Ball the proceeds of which shall be directed toward the relief of the unemployed. Are you ready for the question?"

Mr. Allen. "I am heartily in favor of the motion, and I hope that it will be adopted."

Mr. Putnam. "I move that we erect a golf course the fees from which shall be applied for the relief of the unemployed."

Mr. Bacon. "The motion just offered is not in order, since there already is another main motion, or main question, before the assembly, and not more than one main motion can be before the assembly at a time. The question is on the motion relating to the golf course. Are you ready for the question?"

Two Amendments

Mr. Innes. "I move to amend the motion by inserting the words 'Symphony Hall' after the word 'Ball.'" (It is seconded).

Mr. Bacon. "It has been moved and seconded to amend the motion by inserting the words 'Symphony Hall' after 'Ball'. Are you ready for the question?"

Mr. Fitzgerald. "I move to amend the amendment by striking out 'Symphony Hall' and inserting the words 'Boston Garden.' (It is seconded.)

Mr. Bacon. "It has been moved and seconded to amend the amendment by striking out 'Symphony Hall' and inserting the words 'Boston Garden.' Are you ready for the question?" (It is discussed pro and con, and the chair puts it to a vote, thus:)

Mr. Bacon. "As many as are in favor of the amendment to the amendment, say Aye. (Response of ayes). As many as are opposed, say No. (Response of noes.) The ayes being in the preponderous, the chair announces the result) The ayes have it, and the amendment is carried. (Pause) The question now is on the first amendment, as amended. As many as are in favor, say aye. As many as are opposed, say No. The ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. The question now is on the main motion as amended which is that we hold a Masquerade Ball in the Boston Garden, the proceeds of which shall be directed toward the relief of the unemployed. Are you ready for the question? As many as are in favor of the motion, say Aye. As many as are opposed, say No. The ayes have it, and the motion is adopted. (Pause) Is there further business to come before the meeting?

Mr. Goodwin. "I move to adjourn." (It is seconded).

Mr. Bacon. "It has been moved and seconded to adjourn. As many as are in favor of the question, say Aye. As many as are opposed, say No. The ayes have it, and the motion is adopted, and the meeting stands adjourned."

SPRINGFIELD UNION 10/21/31

Curley Would Dim Boston Lights.

BOSTON, Oct. 20—(AP) Mayor James M. Curley today suggested that all electric lights in the city be dimmed for one minute at 7 o'clock tomorrow night in honor of Thomas A. Edison. He also suggested all flags on public buildings be at half staff tomorrow.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 10/23/31

MRS. ROGERS AND GARRITY NAMED

Appointed to Boston Chamber of Commerce Group to Protest Navy Yard Closing.

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NEWBURY PORT NEWS 10/22/31

THE REVIVALIST.

Some one has jokingly said that the words "Aimee, Aimee, Semple, McPherson" suggest the characters on the wall at Belshazzar's feast. At any rate Boston has had her warning. The revivalist has come and gone and who can doubt that she has done good. Her determination to come to Boston presented a serious question to the ministers and to all lovers of religion in this state. Great wisdom was shown on all hands in declining to hinder or attack her campaign. It is never safe to attack any religious effort. The ministers in their perplexity saw no way to tender any assistance which was not asked for, neither did they put any obstacle in the way of the celebrated revivalist.

Mayor Curly's brusque demand for half the profits of the venture was received with great sportsmanship by Mrs. Hutton. The demand was in fact a surly piece of impertinence and impoliteness. Mrs. Hutton had the good sense to refuse to be offended by this hostile gesture which would not be repeated in any city of America. Mrs. Hutton is the idol of her followers and the jest of those who disapprove of her and her methods. She put her soul into an effort to bring Christianity closer to many people and she seems to have had considerable success. Her "Four Square Gospel" seems to have no novelty and as another ism has no appeal to thousands of religionists, but if some converts are attracted by the novelty of the phrase, who ran cavil at it

Religion is so broad that we must be careful about criticizing its many manifestations. We may see forms of religious experience illustrated in such uncouth ways as to disgust us, but we must be careful about condemning them. Our fighting instincts had better be directed against crime and vice and not any form of sincere religious effort. St. Francis' work was frowned on by high ecclesiastics. Fortunately there are churches for all kinds of people from the most formal to those brimming over with evangelistic fervor. The wisdom of not condemning or attacking Mrs. Hutton is proved by the widely acknowledged fact that nothing but good has come from her visit to Boston.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 10/22/31

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QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 10/21/31

The Factor of Religion

It is nothing against Aimee Semple Hutton or her four-square gospel that Boston continues its wicked course. "She did what she could." More than 165,000 people paid $23,506.30 in the nine-day period; profits amounted to $64.82, of which the city gets half, or $32.41 for unemployment relief. Aimee paid a public compliment to Mayor Curley's business acumen in striking the bargain, but expenses were heavy. Salvation is no longer free. Some 5000 welcomed her the opening night and more than 20,000 welcomed her departure at the closing service. It may be hoped that Boston has been improved by her visit. Many sincere followers and admirers doubtless were benefited, but the majority considered her just another good "show."

Aimee is no profound theologian. The Bible she accepts as her ultimate authority, without the change of a jot or a tittle, and for reasoning she substitutes texts. The Harvard boys who took her to lunch were impressed more by her personality than by her theology. The hardened sinners of Boston found her personally attractive and highly entertaining, but remained unconverted for the most part.

A historian states that a nation has always deteriorated when it has lost faith in its religion if it did not get something better in its place. The Billy Sundays and the Aimee McPhersons lament that the nations are deteriorating while others maintain that the people have something better than the "old-time religion." This will be true to some and false to others. Religion, properly defined, plays an important role in civilization but little trust may be placed generally in the definitions of professional revivalists.

More than once in history it has been shown that blasphemous defiance of sentiments of respect for the Infinite Being has been followed by a breakdown of morale in a people and that the resources of a nation are helpless when morale is broken. It is still true that the last line of defense is not material but moral. The strongest nation is doomed when its moral laws are disregarded generally. Governments and political systems may change, but the instinct to rely upon a superior personality remains.

God cannot be legislated out of the universe. Even Russia is discovering that. As soon as the foundations of social life are shifted from the law of truth and justice, society will decay and crumble. The philosophic ideal of the stoics and epicureans was perverted and corrupted by the frivolity and triviality of the later Alexandrian schools. The military ideal of the middle ages was hardened into intolerable tyranny. The artistic ideal in the Renaissance decayed in luxury and self-indulgence. The social ideal in the French Revolution was finally distorted into anarchism. Its fundamental error was in attempting to change the structure of society without considering the claims of religion.

In the United States today we have the refreshing spectacle of a President appealing in a great peacetime crisis to a fundamental religious obligation. When the Sundays and the McPhersons discard outworn shibboleths and interpret religion in terms of intelligently helpfulness they will find themselves not only nearer the truth of the matter but more firmly ensconced in the respect of intelligent persons.

10/21/31 SPRINGFIELD UNION

Walter Smith and Two Sons Are to Play at Scout Week Concert



WALTER M. SMITH



Photo by Rice

STEWART SMITH



Photo by Rice

WALTER M. SMITH JR.



JAMES M. CURLEY

Chairman Ben Hodgkinson of the general committee in charge of arrangements for the Monster Welfare Week program which will be sponsored here next month by the Quincy Boy Scouts, announced today that Walter M. Smith, noted trumpeter and band leader, together with his two sons, Walter M. Smith, Jr., and Stewart Smith, will play several selections as a feature of the contest which will be staged at the Senior High school auditorium on Nov. 10 as one of the features of the Welfare Week.

Assures Cooperation

Mr. Smith yesterday assured the Boy Scout committee that he would be willing to cooperate in the Welfare Week program and agreed to play in company with his two sons, a feature never before available to Quincy audiences. Both of the youths, are accomplished musicians and the program planned by the trio will be an atractive one.

Final arrangements for the Tuesday concert have not as yet been completed but Mayor James M. Curley of Boston is considering an invitation to be the guest speaker on that evening and will make known his decision within a few days. A nationally known band has been invited to play during the evening and final details will be made known soon.

BRIDGEPORT POST 10/21/31

THE SHORT END FOR CHARITY

Mrs. Aimee McPherson Hutton, the evangelist, has been giving a series of revival meetings in Boston which, in advance, were heralded as for the benefit of the unemployed. All receipts left after expenses were paid were to be divided between Mrs. Hutton and the unemployed.

The gate records show that 165,000 persons attended the revival meetings at Boston Garden, while the collections amounted to $23,506.30. The expenses were $23,441.48 leaving a "profit" of just $64.82. This, being divided between Mrs. Hutton and the unemployed, brought the latter the sum of $32.41.

However this was not the whole story. Sensing the fact that the unemployed weren't going to get much out of it, Mrs. Hutton took up one special collection in their behalf which brought in $908.90.

Let us assume that Mrs. Hutton's revival did some good in Boston, although the regular churches in that city were not noticeably enthusiastic about the event. Let us assume further that those who announced a division of the profits with the unemployed were sincere in their purpose. Is it not about time to declare a moratorium on this sort of thing and to stop using the name of charity as a bait for entertainments, benefits, prize fights, concerts, dances, or even revival meetings, when it stands to reason that promoters and proprietors will reap the big profits while the unemployed will get only the skim?

Let those who are generously inclined and who have money which they can give to the unemployed give it directly to one of the responsible committees organized for that purpose.

Charity entertainments vary greatly in degree; some amateur affairs are given with little or no cost and this way of raising money has long been popular. But too many charity affairs are given on such a costly basis that under the best of conditions about ten cents of every dollar will go to charity and 90 cents to expenses. That sort of business has been badly overworked. There is too much "middleman" between producer and consumer.

BRIDGEPORT POST 10/21/31

BOSTON MAY LOSE NAVY YARD

Enthusiasm for naval reduction has been suddenly squelched in Boston by the discovery that the first place to be sacrificed in the economy program will be the Boston navy yard, oldest of our American yards and the home port of fighting ships which helped to save the nation in its earlier wars.

The closing of the Boston navy yard will not only throw some thousands out of work at a time of general unemployment but it will also deprive the New England coast of one of its important naval bases—two points which opponents of the move in Boston are not slow to emphasize.

In fact it is no exaggeration to say that Boston is "all het up" over the matter. Mayor Curley, the Chamber of Commerce, various civic organizations, manufacturers, bankers, labor groups and all interests have buried factional, economic or political differences and are presenting a united front against the administration at Washington in this matter. What they are saying about President Hoover is far from complimentary. Some of the critics are insinuating that all of his major naval economies are to be effected along the wealthy and populous Atlantic seaboard, while our naval bases on the Pacific—where the President lives in private life—are not to be weakened.

The Boston Post apologizes for Charles Francis Adams, secretary of the Navy, a Massachusetts man. The Post suggests that he could only have given his "unwilling consent" to such an arrangement. If he gave his consent to a major policy to which he is opposed, he is a very different kind of Adams from John Quincy Adams, from whom he is descended. At any rate, there will be more about Boston's navy yard before there is less, and a red hot fight on the floor of Congress is promised.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/22/31

AIMEE IS POOR SOUL SAVER, SAYS CURLEY

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SPRINGFIELD UNION 10/22/31

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WORCESTER POST 10/22/31

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SALEM NEWS 10/22/31

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WAKEFIELD ITEM 10/22/31

A review of Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton's meetings in Boston does not throw a very glowing light over them financially. Mayor Curley is no doubt disappointed that they yielded only $32 for his unemployment fund, and Mrs. Hutton even more so that her time and energy brought her no greater resources for the future. The 165,000 who heard her, averaged slightly less than 11 cents per person in their contributions. The evangelist may consider herself specially unfortunate in that her ministrations were apparently valued at even less than those of more formal and less spectacular gospels. Clergymen have told us that church contributions with them average some 15 cents per person. It is rarely, that is, that religion is as highly appraised in money value, as the movies, even at an afternoon session.

ATTLEBORO SUN 10/22/31

CURLEY ORDERS 6 LAWRENCE WOOL

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NORTHAMPTON GAZETTE 10/22/31

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LEOMINSTER ENTERPRISE 10/22/31

Firemen's Overcoat Contract Awarded

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LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 10/22/31

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NASHUA, N.H. TELEGRAM 10/22/31

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LAWRENCE EAGLE 10/23/31

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WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/22/31

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LOWELL SUN 10/23/31

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(CONTINUED) CLINTON ITEM 10/22/31

from satisfactory, but the legislature finally did recognize the principle by providing an increase, although an inadequate one, in the head tax on men.

During the session we did what we could to discourage the reckless extravagance which some public officials wished to indulge in. We saw few indications that business had reached its lowest ebb and we thought it possible, if not probable, that 1932 would be as bad as 1931. We foresaw a long up-hill fight to restore business to a normal condition and to regain any semblance of prosperity, and we advocated the greatest possible economy on the part of every individual and every governmental agency.

The study by Mr. Cummin revealed the startling fact that the net annual burden of government of the commonwealth, including its subdivisions, such as counties, municipalities and special districts, had rapidly increased in the ten year period beginning in 1919 from the figure of $173,940,573 for 1919 to the figure of $299,464,117 for 1928. When the figures are compiled for 1929 and 1930 I have no doubt a further increase will be shown. Most of the increase is due to increased expenditures by municipalities.

These are bad business times, but for that reason they are good times to spread the doctrine of governmental economy. Never in my experience have I seen such widespread interest in taxation nor such an earnest desire to restrict the cost of government. In times of prosperity, when people are making money, they think only a little about the taxes they have to pay. In these times, when almost everybody is losing money, the burden of taxation becomes a load too great to stagger under.

But whether times are bad or good, no municipality should give its citizens more of these facilities than it can afford to give, and it is obvious that in bad times it can afford to give less than it can in good times. Yet this principle is little recognized. A sensible individual keeps his own and his family expenditures within his income. In times of prosperity he will be able to give his wife and children more of what they want than at other times. When his business is bad he wants to cut down family expenditures. This may be hard to do, but if he is sensible and strong-minded he does it. Is there any possible difference between what an individual should do and what a municipality should do in this respect? I can see none.

I have been going around a good deal this Summer talking informally on this general subject of taxation. On a number of occasions I have associated with the mayors of the municipalities where I was talking. In each case during the course of conversation I made a point of asking what they were paying city laborers. In no case was it less than five dollars a day, in some cases more. When I pointed out that industry was reducing the pay of its laborers to three and a half dollars a day I was immediately informed, in a more or less outspoken fashion, that to do that in the municipality in question would mean that the mayor could never be re-elected. That illustrates some of the problems we have to face.

Some mayors—Mayor Curley of Boston is a conspicuous example—have no real desire to economize, but, on the contrary, think free spending is good politics. Mayor Curley, for instance, in the territory bad times in the Fall of 1930 and the early part of 1931, deliberately filed with the legislature bills asking that the city of Boston be allowed to borrow an aggregate amount exceeding $30,000,000 outside the debt limit, for a number of unusual and large public projects,—an arterial highway estimated at $11,000,000, new school construction estimated at $14,000,000, dredging out the old South Bay (a project the need of which is in the far distant future), estimated at $3,000,000, the East Boston Strandway estimated at $1,000,000, and so on. However desirable these projects might be in ordinary times,—and there were good arguments to be advanced for some of them,—in the middle of the worst depression the country has known for over 50 years it was the height of folly to advocate them.

Instead of economizing, Mayor Curley wanted to spend. Naturally the legislature reported adversely on some of them and cut down others, but owing to Mayor Curley's insistence and the activity of his lobby he got from the legislature a good deal more than was wise under existing conditions. In other directions he has made a great display of virtue in reducing slightly the city budget for 1931, but he has made no real attempt at radical economy.

Other mayors are conscientious and sincerely desirous of reducing city expenses and keeping the tax rate down. I have talked to a number of these. Without giving his name, I will cite the instance of one who may be described as typical of this class. He has been mayor of his city for eight years, knows his job thoroughly, and has given a good administration. Of frugal habits personally, as a public official he can be given the credit of desire for economy. He told me this Summer that in spite of the fact that his city was to receive about 25 per cent less than usual from income and corporate taxes, and in spite of the fact that its poor relief had increased enormously, he had managed by curtailment in various directions to keep the city tax rate for 1931 as it was in 1930—a really commendable achievement. I asked him if it would not have been possible for him to have made, as a temporary matter, really radical reductions in city expenses. He was honestly puzzled and disturbed at the suggestion and really did not see how he could have gone about it. On the question of pay of three and a half dollars a day instead of five dollars to city laborers, he seemed to think that was altogether too difficult a project to tackle.

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Mayors like these ought to receive the help and backing not only of the substantial people in their own communities, but of such organizations as yours and ours. We are undertaking, by getting authorative opinions from recognized political economists on certain subjects and by research work in certain directions, to get data which will enable us to make tangible suggestions to municipal executives who are ready to listen to a reasonable program of economy. It is obvious that if we go around the state criticizing and crabbing, without tangible, constructive and sympathetic suggestions, we shall do far more harm than good. On the other hand, if we can really show municipal executives feasible ways of affecting economies, and can work with them on a basis of sympathetic understanding instead of a basis of hostile criticism, we may be able to make some headway. We can also do much, if we have constructive suggestions to make, to obtain for them the organized backing of influential groups of their citizens. This it is our purpose to do.

We are planning to obtain from one economist a thoroughly considered opinion on the sort of municipal expenditures which can be radically curtailed in times of depression such as the present.

From another we are planning to obtain opinions on the following questions:

1. Whether or not the theory advocated by President Hoover, the American Federation of Labor and others, that wages should not be reduced, even in bad times, because the purchasing power of the country would thus be reduced, is correct.

2. Whether or not, and to what extent, construction of large public works not immediately needed is a relief to unemployment, and if so, whether it is more than offset by the additional burden placed on real estate, industry and other taxpayers.

3. Whether or not shortening or decreasing days or hours of work without corresponding reduction in wages is sound economically, and is a relief to the unemployment situation.

4. A simple statement as to why in bad times, people generally have less money than they have in good times. A remark that is commonly made is—"There is just as much money in the world as ever. Where is it?"

5. What measures, if any, can be feasibly and wisely taken during extended periods of depression, to relieve conditions without some more than counterbalancing burden?

This will indicate the lines along which our minds are working.

CLINTON ITEM 10/22/31

BETTER TIMES ARE AHEAD

Situation in New England Excels Other Sections

OF COUNTRY

Boston, Oct. 22—The industrial and financial situation in New England is generally acknowledged to be better than in any other section of the country and better times are ahead, John F. Deasy, vice president of the Pennsylvania railroad, reminded industrial leaders gathered today at the closing session of the annual meeting of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts.

For the months of June, July, August and September of this year railroad car loadings, for the country as a whole, declined 19 per cent as compared with last year. But during those same months the Pennsylvania interchanged with the New England lines actually more cars than in the corresponding period of 1930. Although this increase was 1.1 per cent, Deasy said, it was "astonishing in such times as these."

The problem of railroads and motors, he said, is to co-ordinate one with the other, so as to reduce costs by eliminating the rehandling of freight and also save time of it by transit. If they continue to develop separately they will be an impediment rather than a help to America's industrial growth, he asserted.

Strive for goods of higher quality at a lower cost, urged John A. Cronin, trade editor, who showed that three decades ago the average earnings per worker was $426 as against $1307 in 1929.

"Due to improper lighting," said D. W. Atwater, illuminating engineer of Bloomfield, N. J., "an accident occurs every twelve minutes in New England factories. By correcting these lighting conditions and designing them after standard practice recommended today New England would save $18,750,000 in costs of accidents per year." He estimated costs of industrial accidents in New England at $125,000,000 annually.

Workmen's compensation insurance is costing Massachusetts industries thirteen and a half million dollars a year, remarked Charles E. Hodges, Jr., insurance company official, who stressed the value of rating plans.

Based upon surveys of individual industrial plants the amount of money paid out by the working class group for industrial life insurance is equal to 6 1-2 per cent of all wages paid in the state, and of that amount at least three per cent is wasted, declared B. Preston Clark, cordage official of Plymouth.

Richard B. Harding, industrial relations secretary of the Associated Industries, spoke of the importance of the savings bank life insurance.

To cancel or reduce protection recklessly is to gamble against the elements, which is unwise at any time, and rank folly in such times as these, declared Arnold Grasse, New York insurance company official, who added that over-insurance was a waste to the carrier as well as to the insured.

Sales research and market analysis are as necessary to every business as is a time table to a railroad, said Allyn B. McIntire, cotton manufacturer.

"The Taxation System in Massachusetts and the work and plans of the Massachusetts Tax association" was the subject of the address given by Alexander Whiteside at the taxation conference held at the meeting of Associated Industries of Massachusetts on Wednesday, an abstract of which follows:

I doubt if it is necessary to tell members of the Associated Industries much about the organization of the Massachusetts Tax association, but I will briefly outline it in order that you may see the background. It was formed during the Spring and Summer of 1930 for two primary purposes, (1) to assist the Special Commission on Taxation and the Legislature in revising the tax laws and system of Massachusetts, and (2) to conduct, in such manner as might be found feasible, a campaign for governmental economy, particularly municipal economy.

We have proceeded with our studies and have already made considerable progress. We have conferred and corresponded with a great many different people, have received many suggestions which we have considered, and we have employed experts to make three very exhaustive studies: (1) Mr. Philip Nichols, probably the best generally informed lawyer in Massachusetts on our state tax laws, has made a summary of the present system of taxing incomes in Massachusetts and of the constitutional and statutory provisions affecting the taxation of intangibles and incomes in other states; (2) Gaylord C. Cummin, a well-known municipal consultant, made a survey of the net burden of government of the commonwealth, including its various subdivisions, such as counties, municipalities and districts; (3) the National Industrial conference board has just completed a report on the fiscal problem in Massachusetts. This is an exhaustive document and is the result of about nine months' intensive study.

We had hoped that business conditions would improve and that before the end of 1931 the depression would show signs of coming to an end, and we felt that it would be wise if during 1931 we could confine our efforts to our studies.

Our hand was forced, however, by the situation which arose in the legislature of 1931 on account of the demands for the relief of unemployment, through the construction of highways and other public works, and the demand on the part of municipalities for a relaxation for this purpose of the laws and restrictions relating to incurring municipal indebtedness.

One of the most important matters that merited our consideration was the governor's program, originally for a twenty million dollar bond issue, for the construction of highways and public buildings. At first the legislature displayed a commendable degree of caution and conservatism toward this measure and for a time it looked as if that proposal, and the vast number of proposals by various municipal authorities for similar expenditures, would be treated by the legislature intelligently and sensibly. We realized that whether large public works not immediately needed were the best means of relieving unemployment, whether extraordinary expenditures concentrated during a few years, instead of being spread over a longer period, would retard rather than accelerate a return to prosperity, it was certain that some unusual program of public construction both by the state and by municipalities would, and probably should, be approved. We realized that any such program of necessity would involve some departure from the strict "pay-as-you-go" policy, and we were not unduly alarmed by some such departure to meet an emergency demand.

The governor urged his program with great earnestness and ability. A number of municipal executives, with their friends and lobbyists, urged their programs, some very strenuously. The legislature became harassed, confused, and finally almost desperate, and in the latter stages of the session many of its members exhibited anything but a sensible and conservative spirit. We did what we could and we believe we rendered some valuable assistance and succeeded—with, of course, others, such as the Associated Industries—in keeping legislation somewhere near reasonable bounds. It must be confessed, however, that a good deal of legislation was passed along these lines which we shall all have cause to regret later on. The state relief program was partially met by the increase of one cent in the gasoline tax. It would have been better, in our opinion, if the increase had been two cents and a larger part of the expense of this program had been met in this way. The funds for the Old Age Assistance we felt should have been provided for entirely by an increase in the poll tax on men and a poll tax on women. The result was far

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NASHUA TELEGRAM 10/23/31

REVIVAL FINANCES

To an extent never before experienced the public has been let in on the financial end of a big revival campaign in Boston. When Gypsy Smith or Billy Sunday, or other noted evangelists have come to Boston the services have been conducted with the cooperation financial and otherwise by the Boston Protestant Evangelical churches. Contributions have been taken up among the crowds attending. If there has been a spread between the receipts and expenditures either way it has not been regarded as news. With the visit of Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, a different plan has been followed, and spotlighted by the rather peculiar demand on the part of Mayor Curley that half a collection be turned over to Boston's charity fund, a la the proposal of Texas Guinan, in seeking permission to give a show in one of the suburbs. So the actual finances came into the limelight. It appears there was considerably less than $100 for the split; although the sum which Aimee actually turned over is a quite considerable amount over $900.

While the emphasis on this side of this revival business is regrettable, while it mitigates the good which might be done, this Boston incident with the colorful Aimee in the stage center, is illuminating; it buries the ghost of the conception in the public mind that these folks are in it for the millions they stand to get out of it, a conception which is not true.

PITTSFIELD EAGLE 10/23/31

CURLEY EXPRESSES VIEWS BEARING ON AIMEE'S SUCCESS

From Yesterday's Latest Edition

BOSTON, Oct. 22, (AP)—Mayor James M. Curley hopes that Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton "is more successful in saving souls than she was in providing for the needs of the hungry and the unemployed."

The mayor has acknowledged Mrs. Hutton's donation to the city of $941.43, of which all except $32.41 was a special collection taken at one of her meetings for Boston's unemployed. Mrs. Hutton had agreed to "split 50-50" with the mayor on her profits.

When Aimee McPherson Hutton's unemployment fund check of $941.43 arrived at Mayor Curley's desk the mayor promptly dictated an acknowledgment to Manager Richard G. Dunn of the Boston Garden.

"I greatly regret that the amount is not larger," he said, "and cannot refrain from expressing the thought that if the evangelist is not more successful in the saving of souls than she was in providing for the needs of the hungry and unemployed I fear for the lost sheep."

NORTH ADAMS 10/22/31

Evangelist Donates $941 to Boston Poor

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LEXINGTON TIMES-MINUTE-MAN 10/23/31

You wrestling fans will perhaps be the winners in this so-called Mayor Curley unemployment fund bouts which are scheduled for the Boston Garden, November 3rd. That is, as far as entertainment goes. The two factions controlling wrestling in Boston, the Bowser regime and Boston Garden clique, are warring, and what a war, my dear friends! DeGlane is the Bowser circuit champion, Londos the Garden chain champion. A Londos-DeGlane match would be something to watch but the chances of seeing it are as slim as your pocketbook. Bowser seems to be ducking the issue, and well he might, as his champion, in our opinion, would stand as much chance of taking Londos as we would.

This is a natural rivalry battle, both factions wanting to outdo the other but with Londos the Fabiani group can call Bowser's hand. Perhaps Mayor Curley, can in his diplomatic way, arrange matters.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 10/23/31

Mayor Curley took a parting shot Wednesday night at Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton after he had deposited in the Boston city treasury for the relief of the poor and the unemployed a contribution of $941.43, which she collected for the city at her revival meetings during the past two weeks at Boston Garden.

"If the evangelist is not more successful in saving souls than she was in providing for the needs of the hungry and unemployed, I fear for the lost sheep," Mayor Curley wrote to Manager Richard G. Dunn of Boston Garden, in acknowledging receipt of the check.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 10/24/31

CURLEY PROPOSES CITY RELIEF FUND

Would Have Municipal Workers Give Percentage of Salaries.

BOSTON, Oct. 23—Employes of the city will be asked to contribute a part of their salaries to a municipal unemployment relief fund, under a plan adopted today at a conference between Mayor James M. Curley and department heads. Employes earning $2100 a year or less will be asked to contribute 1 per cent of their weekly salaries. Those earning between $2100 and $2900 will be asked to contribute 2 per cent and those receiving salaries above that figure will be expected to give 3 per cent. The funds so obtained would be administered by the Public Welfare Department.

10/24/31
WORCESTER TELEGRAM

BOSTON TO FIGHT FOR NAVY YARD

BOSTON, Oct. 23 (AP)—A delegation of representative Boston citizens will go to Washington unless official confirmation is received that President Hoover will not close the Charlestown navy yard, President Henry I. Harriman of the Chamber of Commerce, said tonight.

Mayor James M. Curley tonight accepted the invitation of Harriman to serve as a member of the delegation to confer, if necessary, with the President and Secretary Charles Francis Adams of the navy. Secretary Adams today said in a telegram to Harriman that the matter still was under consideration.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 10/24/31

Bostonians Plan March on Capital

Boston, Oct. 24 (AP)—A delegation of representative Boston citizens will march on the White House in Washington unless official confirmation is received that President Hoover will not close the Charlestown Navy yard. Mayor James M. Curley Friday accepted the invitation of President Henry I. Harriman of the Boston Chamber of Commerce to serve as a member of the delegation.

SALEM NEWS 10/26/31

Official Phones Doomed by Edict Of Mayor Curley

Boston, Oct. 26—Mayor Curley's plan to discontinue telephone service at city expense in the homes of municipal department heads and supervisors was answered yesterday by many of the officials concerned with assertions that the move would bring decreased efficiency in the various departments.

Although loath to discuss the affair publicly yesterday and precipitate a controversy with the mayor, department heads privately agreed that Mayor Curley's proposal, although possibly saving $15,000 annually, was a false economy move which would lower the standard of service now maintained.

Eleven telephones are listed to fire department officials who may be called at any time in the event of a serious blaze, 29 of the city-paid telephones are in the homes of division commanders and other police officials and engineers and foremen of the public wors department, subject to emergency calls to work, share 21 telephones, it was pointed out.

Six employes of the park department, including Commissioner William P. Long, enjoy residential telephone service at city expense. The question was raised of Mayor Curley's authority to order Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman to discontinue the 29 telephones of police officers who are officially on continuous duty.

Despite the undercurrent of opposition to the plan, Mayor Curley declared yesterday that the proposal, outlines in communications to the department heads Friday, will be carried out with discontinuance of city payment for the telephones after Jan. 1.

HARTFORD COURANT 10/25/31

The Laborer and His Hire

It will be recalled that Aimee McPherson Hutton has recently held a series of evangelistic meetings in Boston. We shall never know, at least in this world, what the spiritual results were but the financial outcome is now clear for all to see.

A special collection was taken for the relief of Boston's unemployed, and that amounted to $909.02. In addition, Mrs. Hutton promised to turn over to Mayor Curley half of the profits of the revival meeting for the same worthy cause. That amount has been given to the Mayor and amounted to $32.41. That sum Mayor Curley has sent to the Public Welfare Department with a few words of comment in which he said that he "cannot refrain from expressing the thought that if the evangelist is not more successful in the saving of souls than she was in providing for the needs of the unemployed, I feel for the lost sheep."

Mr. Curley's comment is unkind, but one can see justification for it. As one read reports of the meetings, one might doubt whether the efforts made were for the purpose of saving souls or for advertising.

We feel that the audiences shared in the doubt. When it was made clear that "the gate" was 100 per cent for the unemployed the result was satisfactory.

NEW BEDFORD MERCURY 10/26/31

CITY OFFICIALS DISLIKE CURLEY'S TELEPHONE ORDER

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10/26/31
BROCKTON ENTERPRISE

FROM Robert M. Washburn of Boston, counsellor-at-law, president of the Roosevelt Club and pilot of Washburn's Weekly, comes a brief but sufficient note that reads: "Appreciation of your filtered commendation of me." You're very welcome, Bob, but why did you address the tabloid missive to "S. Keith Rich, Esq.?" Affixing the Keith to any Brocktonian's name can be accounted for and accepted as a compliment, but the suffix of esquire is overcomingly superfluous. We just can't live up to it.

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston drops a line to express his appreciation of a "cordial editorial" in the Enterprise relative to his joining the class in English literature provided by the State University Exension and to say further: "Your appeal to the citizens of Brockton to take advantage of night school opportunities is a well timed suggestion."

NEWBURYPORT NEWS 10/26/31

We've spoken of various not unwholesome memories of Sister Aimee that Boston and thereabouts will keep. From the other end of the telescope, the chief recollection of Boston retained by sister and her husband seems to be a peevish disappointment at Mayor Curley.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 10/24/31

BOSTON CITY WORKERS ASKED TO AID IDLE

Mayor Curley and Department Heads Propose 1 to 3 Per Cent Contributions.

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SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/24/31

CURLEY TELLS AIMEE POOR FUND GOT $941

Boston, Oct. 24—New York press comment that the unemployed of Boston got only $32 as a result of her revival collection apparently disturbed Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton and her husband, David, to such an extent that they wired Mayor Curley from New York asking that he send them a note on official stationery to Providence, that it was $900 rather than $32.

The mayor speedily replied to Mr and Mrs Hutton's telegram, acknowledging $909.02 from the collection for the unemployed and $32.41—"the contribution from the profits of the Boston revival."

The mayor also added to his message:—

Apparently during the depression the law of compensation under which the good are rewarded and the evil are punished has, if we may judge by receipts, been disregarded."

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 10/24/31

Mayor Curley of Boston has never been notable for the finer graces, but if he is correctly reported we feel that he outdid himself in boorishness when he acknowledged Mrs. Hutton's contribution to the poor of Boston by a sarcastic reference to her work. To ask her to contribute half the net proceeds of her Boston meetings seems like a rather cheeky proceeding in the first place; yet, when it was evident that the proceeds would be of a negligible amount, Mrs. Hutton ordered a special contribution for the relief of Boston's poor. This was a kind and generous act, and it called for an appreciative word from the mayor. An ill-natured wise-crack seems to be all the thanks the evangelist got—but there is little doubt that the people of Boston have some sense of gratitude, if their mayor has not.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 10/24/31

Touchin' on and Pertainin' To.

BOSTON RETAIL STORES, in common with those of most other large cities thrcughout the country, are to be open for business on Armistice day. Boston now has nine legal holidays in the year, against from five to seven in other cities of its class, and merchants contend the burden to business has become a heavy one. Mayor Curley has suggested the desirability of observing all holidays in the future, except Christmas and the Fourth of July, on the Saturdays of the weeks in which the holidays occur. This would be helpful to business and industry and popular with working people. Christmas and Independence day are the most important of the fixed dates. Others could be moved on the calendar without any affront to sentiment. For some years the Enterprise has advocated setting all holidays except Christmas on dates that would fall on a Monday. Perhaps, with so many cities and towns suspending work in shops and stores and other branches of business for all or part of Saturday, that day might fit better into the economic scheme. Bringing Sunday and a holiday together insures against a midweek break in bartering and productivity and doubles the leisure period for the people. Very likely such an arrangement, which would preferably be a national one, would result in a more general observance of some of the holidays than is now the rule.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 10/24/31

MAYOR CURLEY TO BE SPEAKER

Rockland, Oct. 24.—The Rockland Chamber of Commerce will hold an open meeting at the Rockland Opera House Tuesday evening. The members will have a banquet at 6:30 and at 8 o'clock, after the close of the regular business meeting, the opera house will be thrown open to the public. The speaker of the evening will be Mayor James M. Curley of Boston. Because of the number who want to hear Mayor Curley President William H. McCarthy has extended an invitation to all who may wish to attend. It will be Mayor Curley's first visit to Rockland in a number of years and plans are being made to give him a royal welcome.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 10/24/31

HUB EMPLOYES MAY AID RELIEF

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ATTLEBORO SUN 10/24/31

LOCAL WOMAN CRITICAL OF BOSTON'S MAYOR

To the Editor of The Herald:

. . . Mrs. Hutton did not come to make money for the poor and the unemployed of Boston. Why should she have been expected to, any more than any of the other speakers that come to Boston?

When I read that the mayor had cabled an invitation to Gandhi to visit the city I wondered if he would demand 50 per cent of Gandhi's net wearing apparel. . . .

If any "poor soul" needs sympathy it is James M. Curley, who has lost out in the estimation of thousands of fair-minded people in Massachusetts because of the treatment of a woman and a stranger within Boston's gates received from its mayor.

HELEN M. CUMMINGS,
Attleboro, Oct. 22.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 10/24/31

TO ASK HUB EMPLOYES GIVE TO JOBLESS FUND

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WAKEFIELD ITEM 10/24/31

Many Local Connections In New Project at Airport

Work will start next Monday at the East Boston Airport on the hangar and administration building for the 26th division of the Massachusetts National Guard, the contract having been awarded yesterday to J. P. Keating.

There is special Wakefield interest in this development at the airport where the building was jointly designed by J. Theodore Whitney of Wakefield, former selectman, and president of the Whitney Engineering Company of Boston, and Cyrus Springall of Malden.

Gilbert W. Chadwick of Hillis ave, Greenwood (with the Lord Electrical Company) designed for Messrs. Whitney and Springall, the electrical system, which will include radio and communication apparatus, special lighting inside and outside the building and other features.

The New England Structural Company, of which Richard G. Hartshorne of Morrison Rd West, is sales manager, will furnish the steel.

The hangar will be 111 x 168 feet, with a two-story administration building on the south end, and a garage on the west, with a second story over the garage for a parachute room. On the second floor there will be a pistol range and there is nothing like it in the United States, for there is no other military or other establishment having a rifle range above ground and indoors. It was necessary for Mr. Whitney to design a stop wall that would hold 30-calibre machine gun bullets and 45-calibre automatic pistol bullets in practise. Mr. Whitney was in consultation with Capt. VanAmburg, the well-known state expert in designing this feature of the building.

There is no other airport building like it in the country, for the National Guard or any other organization, and the Massachusetts troops will have something unique in this respect. It is all under one roof and includes not only the usual airport equipment, but radio, a special room for the photography department for the observation squad, and apparatus for developing air pictures. There is also an assembly room for sports.

The complete hangar and administration building will cost $200,000, and the designers hope to have it ready for use the first of next Summer.

Mr. Whitney is considered an expert on foundation engineering and this was one of several reasons why the contract for designing went to him. It was necessary to pump out part of Boston Harbor to get a foundation on which to set it.

Prominent in Other Projects

Mr. Whitney's firm is also nearing the end of the work on the three-quarters-of-a-million addition to the Edison steam plant in Boston. On this job, it was the first time that pre-cast, re-inforced concrete piles were ever driven. Each of the concrete piles weighs 14 tons. When the project was started, it was found that it was impossible to get deep enough to hard-pan with pneumatic caissons, so Mr. Whitney had a test pile made of concrete and tried for the first time the idea of driving a pre-cast pile. A new type of cement was used, and the first pile was driven only five days after it was made. This special cement is as strong in two days as the ordinary cement is in 28 days.

The engineering feat has attracted a great deal of attention in technical circles.

Mr. Whitney is also a consultant for the entire job of welding on a new Pediatric Building, which was started, yesterday, in connection with the children's department of the Boston City Hospital. It will be ten stories high and cost more than half a million dollars. It will be the first 100-percent-welded building in Boston. All the welding on the steel will be done in shops or on the field, and there will not be a rivet in it. It is expected that through the use of electric arc welding the steel construction will be completed, so far as the welding is concerned, in six weeks, and 500 tons of steel will be used.

Mayor Curley of Boston made the first weld at exercises held at the site of the proposed building, yesterday, and Mr. Whitney was present. City officials of Boston and many other men prominent in engineering and medical circles were present.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 10/24/31

Boston Employes to Contribute.

Boston, Oct. 24 (AP)—Employes of the city will be asked to contribute a part of their salaries to a municipal unemployment relief fund, under a plan adopted Friday at a conference between Mayor James M. Curley and department heads. Employes earning $2,100 a year or less will be asked to contribute 1 per cent of their weekly salaries. Those earning between $2 100 and $2,900 will be asked to contribute 2 per cent and those receiving salaries above that figure will be expected to give 3 per cent.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 10/24/31

THE FACTOR OF RELIGION.

[From the Springfield Union.]

It is nothing against Aimee Semple Hutton or her four-square gospel that Boston continues its wicked course. "She did what she could." More than 165,000 people paid $33,506.30 in the nine-day period; profits amounted to $64.82, of which the city gets half, or $32.41 for unemployment relief. Aimee paid a public compliment to Mayor Curley's business acumen in striking the bargain, but expenses were heavy. Salvation is no longer free. Some 5000 welcomed her the opening night and more than 20,000 welcomed her departure at the closing service. It may be hoped that Boston has been improved by her visit. Many sincere followers and admirers doubtless were benefited, but the majority considered her just another good "show."

Aimee is no profound theologian. The Bible she accepts as her ultimate authority, without the change of a jot or a title, and for reasoning she substitutes texts. The Harvard boys who took her to lunch were impressed more by her personality than by her theology. The hardened sinners of Boston found her personally attractive and highly entertaining, but remained unconverted for the most part.

A historian states that a nation has always deteriorated when it has lost faith in its religion if it did not get something better in its place. The Billy Sundays and the Aimee McPhersons lament that the nations are deteriorating while others maintain that the people have something better than the "old-time religion." This will be true to some and false to others. Religion, properly defined, plays an important role in civilization but little trust may be placed generally in the definitions of professional revivalists.

More than once in history it has been shown that blasphemous defiance of sentiments of respect for the Infinite Being has been followed by a breakdown of morale in a people and that the resources of a nation are helpless when morale is broken. It is still true that the last line of defense is not material but moral. The strongest nation is doomed when its moral laws are disregarded generally. Governments and political systems may change, but the instinct to rely upon a superior personality remains.

God cannot be legislated out of the universe. Even Russia is discovering that. As soon as the foundations of social life are shifted from the law of truth and justice, society will decay and crumble. The philosophic ideal of the stoics and epicurians was perverted and corrupted by the frivolity and triviality of the later Alexandrian schools. The military ideal of the middle ages was hardened into intolerable tyranny. The artistic ideal in the Renaissance decayed in luxury and self-indulgence. The social ideal in the French Revolution was finally distorted into anarchism. Its fundamental error was in attempting to change the structure of society without considering the claims of religion.

In the United States today we have the refreshing spectacle of a President appealing in a great peacetime crisis to a fundamental religious obligation. When the Sundays and the McPhersons discard outworn shibboleths and interpret religion in terms of neighborly helpfulness they will find themselves not only nearer the truth of the matter but more firmly ensconced in the respect of intelligent persons.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 10/24/31

NOT NEW

Boston Five Years Behind Lawrence in Eliminating Public Telephones in the Homes of Officials

The Boston newspapers Saturday gave considerable publicity to the newest municipal economy move of Mayor Curley, whereby he will cause the discontinuance of a long-established custom of granting telephone service in the homes of important municipal officials at the expense of the city of Boston.

Setting the example himself, the mayor personally will pay for the telephone at his own home. More than one hundred other officials will have to follow suit, otherwise their telephones will be removed, as a result of the arrangements which Mayor Curley is making with the telephone company. The estimate of the amount of money that the city will save in telephone charges is $15,000. The plan is to divert that money to the care of the needy during the winter months. The idea upon which it is based is that the city is not under any obligation to furnish free telephone service and that the various officials can well afford to pay for it, particularly in view of the fact that their home telephones are unquestionably used mainly for private rather than official business. If they do not care to pay for their own telephones, then henceforth they will have to do without them.

Mayor Curley's plan carries even farther than the elimination of city telephones in the homes of officials. He intends to have the private telephones in the schoolhouses replaced by public pay stations. Instead of costing the city money then, the schoolhouse telephones would provide a source of revenue.

The move to require salaried public officials to pay for the telephones in their own homes is a sound and businesslike one that merits commendation, and it is not surprising that the Boston newspapers prominently displayed the stories regarding it.

As a matter of fact, though, the publicity once more calls attention to the distance in front of the rest of the procession that Lawrence usually is, because this city was just about five years ahead of Boston in making this particular change.

Lawrence for many years gave free home telephones to many of its officials, but back in about 1926 it was decided to discontinue them as an economy measure, and since then the city has been making a substantial annual saving by reason of the fact that no telephones are paid for that are not for strictly official use.

This is not an isolated instance wherein Lawrence was many years ahead of Boston in an important matter of public policy. Only a comparatively short time ago the Hub inaugurated a plan in its charities department with regard to the matter of dispensing aid to families which had been deserted by the husband and father. By prosecuting vigorously family deserters, it was forecast that Boston would make a large yearly saving in the matter of relief extended to such families. Again quite properly the Boston papers gave considerable publicity to the move, presumably on the ground that it was a brand new departure in public relief administration. The interesting fact in that connection from a local standpoint was that the Lawrence charities department had been following a similar policy successfully for many, many years.

LYNN ITEM 10/24/31

AN ERROR IN JUDGMENT

[From the New Bedford Standard]

Mayor Curley's suggestion that Harvard devote the proceeds of one of its big games, or of a post-season game, to the fund for the unemployed merits more consideration than President Lowell appears to have given it. The prompt rejection of the plan would indicate that it was plainly out of the question, but we do not see why it should be. The objection appears to be that it would be commercializing college sport. What of it? Why be so afraid of commercialization? After all Harvard has an entire institution on the Boston side of the Charles devoted to the teaching of so commercial a subject as business administration.

If football games with big gate receipts devoted to paying the expenses of all college sport activities are proper, what is so objectionable in the present situation in a game to raise money for the unemployed? All over the country people are being asked to contribute to relief measures. Other colleges are to play benefit games. Harvard football players probably would be willing to help to the extent of playing an extra match. There is no reason why they should not help in this way so far as we can see. Yale, Brown, Holy Cross, Dartmouth, Cornell, Columbia, Pennsylvania and Princeton will meet in football tournaments early in December. President Lowell's refusal to let Harvard co-operate places that institution in an unfavorable light and is an error in judgment that should be corrected before it is too late.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 10/26/31

Business and Holidays.

From the Boston Herald.

All the old arguments against the closing of the stores of Boston on Armistice Day are far stronger this year than heretofore on account of existing conditions. The shops require all the business they can get. The employes need all the wages they can get. The former contention of our retail establishments that frequent interruptions of the orderly course of business are a handicap applies with greater force in a period of depression than at any other time. The world of industry and commerce for years has been opposing any increase in the number of our regular holidays. The shortening of the work week and the almost universal tendency to lengthen the week-end have more and more constricted the period within which the retail business of the country has to be done.

That Boston observes more holidays than any large city in the country is well known. It is not so well known that all government offices throughout the country are kept open on Armistice Day. A large number of the stores of Boston have observed the requests of our Presidents that a two-minute period of silence be kept at the hour which marks the anniversary of the silencing of the guns in 1918. Canada has arranged for a combination of Armistice Day and Thanksgiving Day, and a like arrangement might be considered here, for, as Gen. Edwards said, the spirit of the two days is similar, that of rejoicing and not of sorrow. The suggestion of Mayor Curley that all our holidays, excepting July 4 and Dec. 25, might be adjusted to Saturdays may not be wholly feasible, but it indicates what is the trend of thought.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 10/26/31

1932 Is Hazy

We don't see just where the party lines are going to be in the coming state campaign. On this issue of borrowing to build, there can hardly be party lines, for the reasons just noted. On automobile insurance, if it proves available as an issue, party lines are not going to serve. In the matter of state contracts also party lines fade away, in view of the mixed positions of the council, the governor and the lieutenant-governor.

Nor does prohibition offer any party solace, nor yet party intoxication. As the case looks right now both parties will be wet; and that may plunge an independent candidate into the field, for the drys will not be content to be all dressed up in dry socks with no place to go.

The Massachusetts Republican Club has suddenly assumed a degree of practical political importance which it has not hitherto had. This, by virtue (or otherwise) of its vigorous effort to force the prohibition issue; it is now seeking to capitalize its wet stand by bringing in an additional thousand thirsty Republicans. Which if successful will make it an outstandingly militant wet organization within the Grand Old Party.

So, as we draw nearer and nearer to the 1932 state campaign, what we see impending is a campaign of personalities—not meaning personal abuse, but rather projection of personal leadership and personal popularity as the basis for achievement at the polls. Governor Ely's popularity is apparent; and he will build on that, rather than on issues. Mr. Youngman has always been a personal rather than an organization candidate, and he will be so more than ever next year. Should things start breaking in the Democratic ranks and permit the effective entry of Mayor Curley as a contender for the governorship nomination, his candidacy would be almost entirely a personal one. James M. Curley has always been a great individualist in politics.

Aside from the insurance tangle, the week has been quiet on the Hill, with no more than the normal amount of political gossip, and little of that having any value. Note was taken up here of the dinner of the American Antiquarian Society up in your city of Worcester, and of the fact that after a bottle of Madeira put down in 1831 was opened and sampled it was put away again not to be reopened until 2031. Note was especially taken of the fact that Calvin Coolidge, the society's president, was not among the samplers. He might have with propriety remarked to the Governor of Massachusetts of 1831, who was Levi Lincoln:

'It's a long time between samples."

TO PRESENT MAYOR CURLEY
BROCKTON TIMES 10/27/31

Rockland Commercial club hit the nail on the head when they secured Mayor Curley of Boston to speak this evening at their opening meeting. Mayor Curley is a real attraction, because of his success politically and because he is a real orator. The Rockland organization is doing well to secure the Opera House for the gathering. There should be a record crowd on hand to hear the Boston mayor, and the Commercial club opener will undoubtedly set a high mark for public interest.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/27/31

Democratic Crux

Unless Al Smith is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President, the Massachusetts Democracy is going to have a difficult time in agreeing on support of any candidate, notwithstanding Mayor James M. Curley's interests and efforts in the political fortunes of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The Roosevelt candidacy started off with a bang in this state but it is beginning to lag and there is no crystallized sentiment for any of the several favorite sons.

The appearance of Gov. Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland in Boston next Saturday is not going to help the situation for he comes here for the avowed purpose of giving impetus to the Ritchie-for-President movement.

When Governor Roosevelt came to Boston to be the guest of Colonel House last June, it was quite generally agreed then that if Governor Smith was not a candidate the Massachusetts delegation would probably go to the national convention strong for Roosevelt. Since then, however, there has been a decided change in sentiment, not that they love Roosevelt the less but there is concern about the influence Roosevelt success might give to Mayor Curley.

The Threat

There is the ever-present fear that Mayor Curley is a threat to Governor Ely's future success and the Democratic leaders who have been particularly friendly toward the Boston mayor do not want to make any move that will add to his strength.

Of course if Governor Smith declares for Governor Roosevelt, and many do not think he will do so now, it may change the situation, but even then it is doubtful that he can keep the Bay State Democracy in line for anyone but himself.

There is talk that Curley's activity for Roosevelt may result in a move to get Governor Smith to consent to have his name used in the presidential primaries in Massachusetts to enable them to have a rival delegation. Such a move, they feel, would defeat Mr. Curley and with it would go much of his strength. When Smith withdrew, then the delegates could go where they wished —even for Roosevelt.

The fact of the matter is that there is a very-much-divided opinion over Democratic possibilities and the Roosevelt strength at the beginning is rapidly being matched by the sentiment for Ritchie, Newton D. Baker and Owen D. Young.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 10/28/31

BOSTON FIGHTS TO SAVE NAVY YARD, ADAMS HITS AT CRITICS

Rest of Nation Celebrates Day on Which Controversy Is Ruled Out

Boston, Oct. 27—While navy day was being celebrated throughout the country today, civic and business leaders here were planning a more intense battle to prevent the closing of the Boston navy yard.

A resolution adopted by the Suffolk county council of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, to be sent to President Hoover, scored Secretary of the Navy Charles Francis Adams.

The resolution was adopted after a letter, sent by Secretary Adams to Comdr Joseph M. Weidmann, was read at the monthly meeting of the council. The resolution declared the "tenor of the letter contained such sarcasm as is unbecoming of a cabinet officer of the United States government, and in spirit is not in accord with, and defeats the cooperation which the President is trying to secure.

Secretary Adams' letter said: "I would be very much obliged to my friends of the Veterans of Foreign Wars if they would indicate to me how to achieve the necessary saving of about $50,000,000 without closing the Boston navy yard and laying up old Ironsides."

Meanwhile, Mayor James M. Curley opened Boston's celebration of navy day with a radio speech in which he flayed the request of the Navy league that controversial subjects be avoided in navy day addresses, and assailed those who advocated disarmament.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 10/28/31

BOSTON OFFICIALS OPPOSE PHONE ORDER

Boston, Oct. 26—Mayor Curley's plan to discontinue telephone service at city expense in the homes of municipal department heads and supervisors was answered Saturday by many of the officials concerned with assertions that the move would bring decreased efficiency in the various departments.

Although loath to discuss the affair publicly yesterday and precipitate a controversy with the mayor, department heads privately agreed that Mayor Curley's proposal, although possibly saving $15,000 annually, was a false economy move which would lower the standard of service now maintained.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/27/31

Cooperative Camp For Jobless Residents of Common Is Opened

Boston, Oct. 27—"Camp Co-op," a nine-room house in South Boston dedicated to the needs of the jobless residents of Boston Common, opened last night without the pomp and ceremony which usually attend the inauguration of charitable institutions.

The Rev Paul Noyes, former pastor of Hope Congregational church, Cambridge, and self-styled minister to the dwellers on the Common, declared at the outset that the enterprise was not a charity, but a cooperative camp association where the men would be given a chance to make a home for themselves.

Mr Noyes who, is a rather determined littl man with a neatly-trimmed beard, has been forbidden by Mayor Curley to distribute sandwiches to the jobless on the Common but has got around the ruling by making arrangements with a Broadway restaurant to sell the men beans, bread, coffee and pudding for a dime.

"I am not going to make it a place in which to preach," he said, "I am going to try to help these men feed, clothe and house themselves during the winter and perhaps incidentally exert a good influence upon them. But I shan't preach.

The house has been furnished by the South Boston Lumber company, 312 West Broadway. Last night there were eight beds and 12 residents. Mr Noyes said he was now looking for more blankets, cots, checker boards, dominoes, paper towels, and tents to set up in the adjoining "park," which until yesterday was graced with no loftier title than "vacant lot." However, it has trees, and is an attractive place in which to spend a winter by comparison to a cheerless bench on the Common, he declared.

One of the inhabitants of the new camp is a chef. Three of the men have found a day's work apiece today. They will pool their resources to buy food. The donor of the building has provided divans, tables and stoves.

QUINCY NEWS 10/28/31

Curley Will Address C. of C. Women, Nov. 2

Woman members of the Quincy Chamber of Commerce will attend the annual meeting of the organization Nov. 2 at 6:5 o'clock, it was announced today.

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston will give a talk on "The Metropolitan Plan."

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 10/28/31

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HEARS FINE TALK BY MAYOR CURLEY

Committees for Year Named at Initial Meeting.

Rockland, Oct. 28.—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston was the speaker at the opening meeting of the season of the Rockland Chamber of Commerce at the Rockland Opera House last evening and was greeted by a large crowd. The members of the Chamber held a banquet at the opening of the evening and this was followed by a business session.

A number of important matters were taken up. President William H. McCarthy presided at the session and outlined the work of the organization for the coming year. He said the Chamber has many important questions to meet the coming year and spoke principally in regard to the matter of unemployment in the town. He asked every member to do all possible in securing any new industry for the town. He also urged a membership drive and committees will be appointed monthly.

The following new members were elected last evening: Carl Anderson, Dr. Ralph C. Briggs, Charles Brann, James Murphy, James Redgate Dr. H. C. Marine, Rev. Patrick Crayton and Dr. Hulse. George O'Brien and Stanley Bauman of the Rockland High school were presented as honorary members for the coming year.

A membership committee for the coming month was appointed and includes A. W. Ames, Ellis Blake, John A. Duggan, John Ednie, Stanley Feener, Jared Gardner, Richard Hall and Edward Keane. The death of Charles D. Tyler was reported and a committee composed of Giles W. Howland, George N. Beal and Harold Smith was appointed to draw up resolutions. The matter of raising about $80 which was pledged by the Chamber for bringing to town a manufacturing concern was brought up and it was voted to raise the money by subscription tickets.

The following committees were appointed for the year: Public affairs, Elmer C. Cobb, James B. Studley, James Shanahan; health, Dr. William A. Loud, S. W. Baker and C. B. Collins; legislature, John R. Parker, Elwin T. Wright and George Gallagher; music, William T. McCarthy, Robert Scaife and James Redgate; publicity, James Donovan, C. H. Brewster and Wesley Pierce; educational, John A. W. Pierce, Emil Kelstrand and John Duggan; transportation, Frank S. Alger, Roland S. Poole and George N. Beal; employment, Dr. Joseph Lelyveld, Roderick MacKenzie, W. B. Cuningham.

New business, Harry S. Torrey, Herbert F. Perry and John Spence; auditors, Giles W. Howland, Elmer Asklund.

Mayor Curley, on being introduced, was given a cordial reception. He spoke in an interesting manner and held his audience spellbound for nearly an hour. Mayor Curley spoke of the work that is being done to bring the port of Boston back to its own.

He said that owing to the differentials that a good deal of the exports and imports of Boston and New England and other points have been reduced but every effort is now being made to correct the situation. He said that Boston is much nearer European ports than is New York and Philadelphia. It is only 10 minutes from the seas while Philadelphia is 40 miles from the ocean and New York is two hours away from open sea.

Attention has been called to the steamer companies of the possibility of a four day journey between Boston and Europe and new and fast boats may be assigned to the Boston port. This will assist a great deal in the resumption of business at Boston and will benefit all of New England. Mayor Curley spoke of the unemployment situation in Boston and said the amount is increasing with rapidity.

He said that this is a time for all to stand by. The reduction of wages will not, in his oppinion, help the situation. Every effort possible is being done in Boston to provide employment and vast sums of money are being spent for public improvement in order that work can be supplied. He said that, in his opinion, the five-day working week will help to solve the situation.

If adopted, it will put many men to work who are now idle. The introduction of machinery has wiped out the jobs of many people, therefore the laboring hours should be shortened so that more people can work. Touching on the matter of disarmament, he said he was in favor of it if every other nation in the world would disarm too, but he wants the other nations to lay down their arms on the table before the United States will disarm.

Mayor Curley said Rockland is going through the same experience as regards unemployment as the other cities and countries of the world, but believed the turn has come for the better but the people have to watch out and see to it that everything possible is done to make work for everybody.

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(CONTINUED) BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 10/28/31

Urges Consolidation

To eliminate this condition, Curley suggested that the multiplicity in government offices might be cut by consolidation of cities. He declared that he favored a metropolitan fire, police, and education departments modeled on a similar basis to the present metropolitan sewer, water, and police departments.

In supporting his plea for a metropolitan educational system, Curley declared that at present in Boston, from the annual budget of $65,000,000, $21,000,000 is spent on schools. To add to this, the Hebrew and Catholic private schools represent a $7,000,000 yearly operating cost.

The greatest of all bentfits from the Metropolitan Boston plan, according to Mayor Curley, would be from a commercial standpoint. It would aid, he claimed, in removing the preferential freight rate system now in force and it would stimulate business from the port of Boston.

Sees Development

"I don't care what system is used to make this Metropolitan Boston," Curley closed, "but I want to see Greater Boston united to remove the present commercial disadvantages."

Curley was introduced by President Henry J. Hickey. Following the Boston mayor's talk, Hickey appointed Vice President J. Edward Mundie, Harry Kerr, and John S. Gwinn as a special committee to check the ballots. While this group was counting the vote, there was a specialty dance by Marie Mollica and Edward Nelson.

SALEM NEW 10/3/31

Mayor Curley as a rule is extremely busy with his Boston engagements. He is also very much in demand at big events not only in this state but elsewhere. In view of this the local Chamber of Commerce is fortunate in having him as a speaker Wednesday evening. It was through the efforts of Atty. M. J. Reardon of this city that the noted Hub figure was procured, the latter answering the call for his services through friendship for Mr. Reardon. Those who attend will find their evening well spent.

QUINCY NEWS 10/3/31

Curley Urges Quincy Join 'Greater Hub'

"All cities and towns within a 15-mile radius of the Boston city hall should unite and co-operate for a Greater Boston," Mayor James M. Curley told 175 members of the Quincy Chamber of Commerce last night.

The mayor was the principal speaker at the annual meeting of the organization and continued, saying: "Boston is now the eighth largest city in this country. If this Greater Boston plan went through, it would make the city the fourth, and eventually the second or third largest in the United States. The result would be that we could demand better rail and steamship facilities. This in turn would be an inducement to attract business, increase the total population, and increase business for each city and town concerned.

He then pointed out that Quincy would benefit, as it has in the past, when metropolitan sewerage and park systems were introduced. Instead of stopping with these advantages, the mayor declared, a great police department and fire department should be inaugurated to co-operate in higher efficiency, to work with other departments in the united system. These bureaus would still have their own individual heads, he stated.

Mayor McGrath of Quincy, was present during the description of the plan, but was not called upon to speak.

New England must fight for commercial and industrial progress. Mayor Curley said, and should start immediately. He offered no plan of advancement which should be instituted to get the new schedule started, however.

Compares Hub With London

Boston was compared with London, England and with St. Louis, Detroit, Chicago and New York in this country. The flaws of the plan the speaker explained, could be best described by the old Roman empire, which decayed when every citizen in the city of Rome was on the municipal payroll.

"I am strongly oppesod to any such doleing out of a combined communities funds, which would prove to be the stumbling block of such a scheduled advancement.

"Boston is losing its areas for comemrcial development in its slow but sure residential growth. Certainly if the Greater Boston plan went through, we would be forced to raze present structures in the city. This would prove to be unsatisfactory and industries would naturally locate in the suburbs of the metropolis. That is how the population and business would grow in a city such as this."

Explains Cost of Plan

"The cost of such a plan is interesting and a question of good judgment. Under present conditions, with metropolitan systems being carried out within this 15-mile radius, the city of Boston carries the burden of 52 per cent of the total expenditures. If changes are made in the metropolitan system in surrounding cities and towns Boston pays the greater amount, and the city or town pays the 48 per cent. difference. I am sure that any city or town in the present sewerage and park metropolitan system would never revert to the old plan, now that the newer ideas have worked out so successfully after 20 years of service."

He also discussed educational systems and pointed out the illiteracy discovered during the late war. When the war was over, the mayor said, it was found out that 70 per cent. of the children had the ambition to go to high school, and that the other 30 per cent wanted to go to college.

Mayor Curley was presented to the audience by Henry J. Hickey, president, shortly after the chicken dinner was served at 6:15 o'clock. The speaker was forced to give his talk early, during the eating, and leave at the conclusion, due to a radio broadcast which he was scheduled to make.

LOWELL SUN 6/4/31

LONDOS TOSSES PAT O'SHOCKER

"Adonis" Wins Straight Falls In Curley's Charity Show At Boston

BOSTON, Nov. 4.—Jim Londos, the perfect man from Greece, took two straight falls from Pat O'Shocker in the Record's charity mat show at the Boston Garden last night.

Both falls came as a result of punishing chanceries, followed by body slams which fairly knocked the wind out of the red-head, Irish-American from Salt Lake City and apparently stunned him at the same time. The time of the falls was 51 minutes, 42 seconds and then 2 minutes 40 seconds.

The Greek weighed 201 and Pat 218. Pat's handlers protested that their man had been partially strangled, but Referee Ben Paul refused to allow the protest.

The crowd was estimated as 10,000, the receipts as $14,000, of which the unemployed fund gets $5000 from Promoter Ray Fabiani.

BANGOR NEWS 10/26/31

Holding Up Boston

The city of Boston sent out 25,000 summonses a few months ago to persons who had not paid their water bills for the first quarter of 1931. As this was the largest number ever mailed at one time, it was apparent that the uncollected total would break all records. It has done so. It was more than $800,000 October 1. An examination of the books shows that the unpaid bills were $18,000 in 1928, $90,000 in 1929 and $290,000 in 1930. The rest, amounting to more than half of the total, is marked against 1931. Here is new evidence, if any were needed, of the extent to which depression has affected many Bostonians.

When consumers do not pay their water bills within a specified period, the city may shut off the supply and eventually bring suit, the debt being a lien against the property, but because of health, fire and other hazards the city does not usually go to such an extreme. The total is now so large, however, that evidently many persons are taking advantage of the situation. The decision to put all these cases in the hands of the corporation counsel and to take all reasonable measures to enforce payments is none the less welcome for being somewhat belated. With general revenue falling off and destined to fall off more, and with requests for relief which must be answered, the city is under a greater obligation than usual to collect all money-owing to it.

Commenting upon this situation, the Herald says: "Here is another example indicating how much better the private firms do business than the city, State or Nation. Gas, heat, light-and-power and telephone companies, which have thousands of customers to whom they send bills every month, manage somehow to collect nearly everything without imposing undue hardship. The non-public corporations which furnish some of our small communities with water probably make a better record than the municipalities themselves. Where politics intervenes, as in Boston and every other city, whether it is large or small, non-partisan, Democratic, Republican or Socialist, under a mayor or a city manager, it is usually difficult and often impossible to apply strict business methods."

MILFORD NEWS 10/29/31

CURLEY TO BE ABSENT

Boston, Oct. 29—Although Mayor Curley had been announced as one of the speakers at the luncheon to be given Gov. Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland by the Democratic State committee at the Parker House Saturday, the Mayor will not be present, he said last night.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 10/29/31

BOSTON SCHOOL HEAD IS DEAD

Dr. Jeremiah E. Burke Expires at Home in Night--Superintendent Since 1921--Noted Educator

Boston, Oct. 29 (AP)—Dr. Jeremiah E. Burke, noted educator, since 1921 superintendent of schools for the city of Boston was found dead at his home today. Death had occurred sometime in the night.

Dr. Burke was born in Frankfort, Me., June 25, 1867. He was a graduate of Colby college, which, in 1915, conferred upon him the honorary degree of doctor of literature. Subsequently, two other colleges, Villanova and Holy Cross, awarded him the honorary degrees of doctor of laws.

He was the author of various papers on education and had engaged in other literary activities.

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NEWBURYPORT NEWS 10/29/31

CABBAGES AND KINGS

"The time has come the walrus said,
To talk of many things:
Of ships and shoes and sealing-wax,
Of cabbages and Kings."
—Alice in Wonderland.

Mayor Curley's plan to have all holidays come on Saturday does not seem to meet the favor of merchants and other business men, with whom we have discussed the matter. With Saturday established as the recognized trading day, stores, barber shops, and other institutions would suffer from too many holidays on Saturday. It somewhat defeats the spirit of the holiday to hold it on a date other than on the anniversary of the event which it is supposed to commemorate. However, if holidays were to be established all on one day of the week, Monday would be preferable to Saturday, for it would yield a two-day holiday and would not deprive business people of Saturday business. As far as the argument for time saving in industry, the reason advanced by Mayor Curley for making all holidays come on that day, industries do not appear to be suffering at the present moment from lack of time to complete their production. However, on holiday weeks the Saturday working day could be made complete, if there were need for economy in time.

PITTSFIELD EAGLE 10/29/31

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LEOMINSTER ENTERPRISE 10/29/31

SUPT. BURKE OF BOSTON DIES

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SPRINGFIELD NEW 10/28/31

CURLEY TO AID JEWISH DRIVE

Will Address Luncheon of the Philanthropies Workers Today

Boston, Oct. 28—Mayor Curley will address the workers at the campaign luncheon of the Associated Jewish Philanthropies at headquarters, at 12.30 today. With a record attendance expected for the observance of mayor's day, the fund total is expected to go well over the half-way mark in the $615,000 drive.

The campaign total reached $288,096 at the workers' report luncheon yesterday, at which Sidney Rabinovitz, food division commander, presided. The largest amount turned in by any team was $5958, reported by Edward N. Marcus, captain of the women's wear team. Other substantial amounts reported were by Isaac Kaplan, $3150 for the house furnishings division, and Myer Saxe, $1170 for the shoe and leather division.

Brookline, Brighton and Allston districts, under the supervision of Mrs Max E. Bernkepf, received first honors in the women's division, reports accounting for $1502, practically all of which was in cash. The first Roxbury meeting this noon at the Boston Y. M. H. A., Seaver street and Humboldt avenue. Mrs Colman Levin, supervisor, has invited more than 100 workers to attend.

SALEM NEWS 10/28/31

Boston Gas Co. May Get Abatement Up to $2,500,000

Boston, Oct. 28—The state board of tax appeals, which has been sharply criticised by Mayor Curley for consistently favoring appellants' from the judgment of Boston assessors, has ruled that the Boston Consolidated Gas company is entitled to a substantial abatement of the assessment of $24,500,000 levied on underground pipes and machinery within the limits of Boston. The abatement may be as high as $2,500,000.

Official announcement of the abatement, described yesterday as so large that Mayor Curley will renew with greater vigor his demand for the abolition of the board, is expected to be made immediately.

The assessment which the state board will place upon the personal property of the company in Boston is predicted to approximate the inventory of $22,000,000 made by an acknowledged expert in the determinaiton of the value of piping and gas making machinery.

City officials have anticipated that the state board might take cognizance of the inventory of the New York, expert but hope had been entertained that the reduction would not be as heavy as was indicated yesterday.

BROCKTON TIMES 10/29/31

BROCKTON READY FOR TURN OF TIDE

Pres. Moore of Mfrs. Assn. Says City Is Better Equipped Than Ever Before for Business Gain.

Declaring that Brockton is better equipped than ever before to assimilate any improvement of the shoe business, Charles E. Moore, president of the Brockton Shoe Manufacturers Association, Inc., gave an optimistic report of conditions in the shoe industry in Brockton at the annual fall luncheon of the New England Shoe and Leather association at the rooms of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, Wednesday.

Mr. Moore quoted no figures concerning Brockton's shoe industry.

"Brockton is making its share of shoes," Mr. Moore said, "and is in as good condition from a business point of view as any locality in New England.

"We are not down at the heel in Brockton, and are not worrying about the future. We are a unionized town, and right now we are in better condition than ever to care for an increased volume of business when it comes.

"We are not worrying in Brockton. We are going ahead all the time."

Herbert T. Drake of the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co., a member of the committee with Mr. Moore, which was named to make a report on the shoe business, was called upon at the close of Mr. Moore's talk He congratulated Mr. Moore upon his report and told members of the association that nothing he could say would add anything to the optimistic outlook that Mr. Moore had given on conditions in Brockton.

Reports on the following subjects were presented: The railroad freight increase and the present status of the shoe tariff, by Charles H. Jones; cooperation with the national and State agencies on unemployment relief, by Alfred W. Donovan; the sole leather situation, by Col. H. S. Wonson, and the Tanners' Council annual meeting, by Willis R. Fisher.

The directors voted cooperation in Mayor James M. Curley's move for a 25 percent reduction in fire insurance rates in Boston.

Minutes on the deaths of Charles M. Leonard, Al A. Rosenbush and William J. McGaffee, formerly active in the work of the association were adopted.

WO BORN TIMES 10/26/31

CURLEY GIVEN TIME TO FINISH LUNCH ON BRITANNIC AFTER 'ALL ASHORE' SIGNAL

Mayor Curley finished his coffee while longshoremen manned the gangplank of the White Star liner Britannic yesterday at Commonwealth pier, South Boston. He was at lunch with friends when the liner's whistle boomed "all ashore." Visitors hurried to the pier with the exception of the mayor who had been urged to take his time by a company official. Fully 10 minutes elapsed before the mayor came over the plank.

The mayor visited the ship to bid farewell to H. M. Gibson, superintendent of the Manchester Ship Canal; P. G. Foley, consul for the Irish Free State at Boston, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Bridges Adams, who accompanied the Shakespearian Players to Boston. The mayor was accompanied by E. L. Dolan, city treasurer. Commenting on the visit of Mr. Gibson, the mayor said Boston has for three quarters of a century exported great quantities of raw cotton to Manchester, England, and the canal represented by Mr. Gibson has played an important part in delivery of the staple, thus proving itself a transportation link of enormous utility between Boston and textile centres of England.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/29/31

CURLEY NOT TO ATTEND RECEPTION TO RITCHIE

BOSTON, Oct. 29 (INS)—Mayor James M. Curley announced today that he will not attend a reception to be given Governor Ritchie of Maryland Saturday by the Massachusetts Democratic State committee.

"I have an appointment out of town and have had it for a long time," declared Curley when told that he was to be one of the principal speakers at a luncheon to the Maryland chief executive. Curley further stated that he had not appointed anybody to represent him at the reception which includes the presence of Gov. Joseph B. Ely, United States Senators David I. Walsh and Marcus Coolidge, and other leading state Democrats. Curley has declared himself for Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York as Democratic Presidential

GARDNER NEWS 10/29/31

SUPERINTENDENT DIES SUDDENLY

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SALEM NEWS 10/30/31

Mayor Curley Will Spea kWednesday at Chamber Meeting

Hon. James M. Curley, mayor of Boston, is to be the speaker at a big fellowship meeting of the Salem Chamber of Commerce at the Hotel Hawthorne next Wednesday evening.

Plans have been completed for a series of fellowship meetings at the Chamber of Commerce and Mayor Curley has been secured as the speaker for the opening get-together.

Although the title of the speaker's subject has not been announced, all who attend are assured of hearing something of more than unusual interest.

Always an excellent speaker, Mayor will have plenty to say that is full of pep and has a punch.



MAYOR JAMES M. CURLEY
Chamber of Commerce Speaker

Tickets may now be obtained at the Chamber of Commerce for this affair which is to begin at 6.30 with a dinner. There is also to be an orchestra and group singing. Attorney M. J. Reardon is to be toastmaster. William E. Lavender is chairman of the committee in charge of these fellowship gatherings.

PORTLAND PRESS-HERALD 10/30/31

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Was Frankfort Native And Graduate Of Colby College

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QUINCY NEWS 10/30/31

Curley Will Spur Granite Selection

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston lent his efforts to the agitation begun to hasten the selection of the Quincy quarry from which granite will be taken for the new Federal building under construction at Boston.

The mayor entered the controversy at the request of Sam Squibb, president of the Granite Cutters International association of the United States which has headquarters in Quincy. He stated that Federal authorities have had the question before them for several months and seem to be unable to agree as to which product will be used.

The sub-contractors on the work will be Henry C. Smalley Granite Co., of South Quincy.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 10/30/31

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WORCESTER TELEGRAM 10/30/31

ELY INSURANCE PLAN MEETS OPPOSITION IN CURLEY'S PROPOSALS

HUB MAYOR'S GROUP DRAFTS OWN PROGRAM

Against Governor's Suggestion For Demerit Rating System

LIKE GOODWIN BILLS

Public, Companies, Favor State Chief's Ideas Supporters Believe

By JAMES H. GUILFOYLE
Telegram State House Reporter

BOSTON, Sept. 29.—Governor Ely's program for solving the problem presented by rising rates for compulsory motor vehicle insurance ran against opposition today.

Mayor Curley's committee of city and town solicitors adopted its own program for consideration of the Legislature. This program, only two of the governor's suggestions, presents several new ones and expresses opposition to two proposals of the chief executive, deductible policies and the demerit rating. It also asks that the 1931 rates be promulgated for 1932 as suggested by Frank A. Goodwin.

Mr. Goodwin filed five bills embodying his ideas, which are similar to those outlined in the program of Mayor Curley's committee.

Governor Ely would not comment publicly on these developments tonight. Those close to the administration indicated his feeling was the opposing programs could not accomplish results. The governor was represented as entirely confident that when the Legislature acted it would be to adopt his program "because it is the only solution that offers permanent results."

Hearings Open Today

With the hearings scheduled to begin at 10 o'clock tomorrow in the Gardner auditorium before the insurance and judiciary committees sitting with the ways and means committee in without a vote, there was no evidence tonight of any clarification of the views of legislators.

The Curley committee voted to oppose writing of deductible policies under the compulsory insurance law "because no form of deductible policy seems expedient or practical."

With reference to the demerit system the vote was: "That no practical demerit plan can be devised under the existing conditions which would promote a reduction in rates."

The Curley committee program is likely to prove an obstacle to the governor's program. Its representatives will appear before the legislative committee.

Ely Plan Favored

The administration supporters take the position that the governor's program must eventually win both public and insurance interests because it contains proposals partially favored by both. The insurance companies have long wanted prompt notice of claims and also the elimination of guest claims. The latter provision and other suggestions of the governor are offered as a panacea for rate reduction which the public wants.

The governor's spokesmen will argue that the insurance companies want least of all a state fund, and inasmuch as his proposals at the present time do not call for it but do grant the companies some of the things they desire the insurance interests will either have to play ball and accept his program, or run the risk of a last resort recommendation from the governor for a state fund, which with the present public interest in the matter of rates might prevail.

The administration feels that it has recommended a sound program and that the only difficulty it presents is an agreement on the deductible policies. There is a difference of opinion as to the method of rating system but the governor is said to feel this is but a matter of detail.

Curley's Program

Curley's committee's opposition and the program it will recommend to the Legislature is set forth in substance:

That there be substituted for the present rating bureau maintained by the insurance companies a state rating bureau within the Division of Insurance.

That there be included in the law which now requires that fatal accidents be investigated, a further provision that all accidents involving personal injury shall be promptly investigated.

That the reports of inspectors be filed in the registry and be open to public examination.

That liability under the compulsory insurance act to guests be eliminated.

That the Legislature promulgate for 1932 the present 1931 rates or lower rates.

NEW BRITAIN RECORDER 9/28/31

Boston Fountain Almost Complete

Artists and Officials Differ On Tiny Cupid On Statue of Venus.

Boston, Sept. 28 (INS)—Minus the wiles of Venus, who was replaced by Cupid—bow, arrows and all—Boston's reproduction of the famous Giambologna fountain in Florence, Italy, will soon be completed in the Franklin Park rose garden.

Mayor James M. Curley and Park Commissioner Long seemed agreed that the undraped figure of the armless siren might detract attention from the flowers.

A. P. Nardini, the sculptor, said it made no difference to him whether the tiny Cupid or the six-foot statue of Venus was there.

Cyrus E. Dallin, another sculptor, pointed out, however, that the original was a work of art and that the reproduction would lose its integrity if Venus were eliminated.

Venus, however, seemed definitely eliminated today.

NANTUCKET INQUIRER 9/22/31

Honest John made the front page of the New Bedford Standard's rotogravure section last Sunday. The picture was taken by Ashley, the Standard photographer, when he was in Nantucket a few weeks ago. It shows the local Tammany chief seated in front of his garage and holding the cane which Mayor Curley presented to him shortly after he made an informal call upon the Nantucket Democrat.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 9/29/31

When Mayor Curley returned from Ireland a few months ago with about seventy blackthorn walking sticks as presents for his friends, it was reported that he had cleaned out the shillalah market in the Emerald Isle. There was at least one left, though, because Mayor Landers came into possession of it during the past week. A local friend who visited Ireland purchased the blackthorn and presented it to His Honor upon his return to Lawrence. The new walking stick is one of the mayor's most novel and prized possessions.

BOSTON REVIEW 10/31/31

CO-OPERATION

It will be very much in order for the citizens of every ward in Boston to elect next Tuesday a councilman who will co-operate with the mayor of Boston. Co-operation does not mean that a councilman should vote according to the mayor's desire on every issue or to accept the mayor's every utterance as the last word on municipal policies, but co-operation does mean that every councilman shall view his duties as owed first of all to his district and that he shall join with the mayor in furthering projects for the benefit of that district.

Any councilman, no matter how able he may be or how popular he may be, who puts his own personal interest, his personal enmity for the mayor, or his own opinion of his own importance, above the interests of his fellow citizens in his ward is not entitled to re-election to the legislative body. He is entitled, of course, to the votes of every citizen who believes that the welfare of the district counts for nothing against the personal prestige of a councilman, but it is impossible that such voters constitute a majority or even a plurality of the voters in the wards represented by Councilmen Dowd, Kelly and Norton.

If there are any who doubt that the official and personal attitude of their councilmen toward the mayor of Boston means but little to the district and is really of no importance, let them look into the matter closely and learn for themselves just how many improvements Councilmen Dowd, Kelly and Norton have sought and obtained for their districts. Indeed, so consistent has been their opposition to the mayor that they have not deemed it fitting that they should enlist his support in any project that would be of actual and general value to their constituents. That seems to be a queer kind of representation, for it is the representation of one man by and for himself. The district does not count.

CITY CLUB LIFE - OCT. 31

FROM THE MAYOR

The Mayor of Boston, in that capacity and also as a member of the Board of Governors and of the Finance Committee of the Boston City Club, asks the serious attention of the members of the Club to the following communication:

CITY OF BOSTON
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

The appeal made by President Hoover to the leaders of industry in America requesting that they refrain from discharging employees or reducing wages has apparently fallen upon deaf ears.

The Public Welfare Department of the City of Boston is receiving requests for aid at the present time greater than during any month of last winter and an examination of these cases discloses the fact that the requests for aid are largely from persons who never previously found it necessary to seek aid from anyone. They represent that class of the citizenship who have reached the end of their resources and are forced through circumstances to embark upon a policy both distasteful and humiliating to them and exceedingly expensive to the municipality.

If every religious, social and civic organization will make necessary repairs to the premises which they occupy, and the members, wherever possible, will have necessary repairs made to their homes, it is possible to effect a saving upon the cost of materials at the present time of at least 30% over the price paid in normal times. Doing this work now will not only be a saving, but in addition will provide opportunities for work even for a limited time to large numbers of persons in reduced circumstances seeking, with but limited hope, opportunities for a livelihood in Boston.

Respectfully,
JAMES M. CURLEY,
Mayor

'DEDUCTIBLE POLICY ONLY HOPE,' BROWN

Insurance Commissioner Issues Ultimatum on Auto Rate Rise

SOLONS GLOOMY

Low Zones' Legislators Are Not Expected to Support Plan

By JAMES H. GUILFOYLE
(Telegram State House Reporter)

BOSTON, Oct. 24.—A Legislature which convened in special session, enthusiastic to do something about the rising rates for compulsory motor vehicle insurance in some sections, is becoming depressed with the outlook toward accomplishment.

Unless the proposal of a deductible policy is adopted, there will be no decrease in the rates for 1932. This economic truth has been evident since the insurance and judiciary committees began discussion of curatives. This afternoon Insurance Commissioner Merton L. Brown served notice that he wouldn't reduce the rates unless there is a deductible policy.

"The Only Measure..."

"There has been some confusion concerning the status of the proposed 1932 rates for compulsory automobile insurance tentatively announced by me Sept. 1," said Mr. Brown. "These rates have not yet been promulgated, pending such action as may be taken by the General Court now in special session.

"Some measures now under consideration by the legislature cannot effect the 1932 rates. Provisions for a demerit system for notice and similar changes, are to be regarded as safety devices which, while of decided benefit for the future, cannot accomplish a reduction of rates for the coming year.

"Two features which can bring immediate results are omission of guest liability, so-called, and provision for a $100 deductible clause in some form. The result of eliminating guest liability in and of itself, however, will be too slight to mean any substantial reduction in the 1932 rates. The only measure under consideration which will enable me to promulgate rates substantially lower than those announced, is the deductible feature.

"With the adoption of a law providing for the writing of a $100 deductible policy, I can promulgate rates for 1932 at or near the level of the 1931 rates."

Last-Minute 'Club'

Mr. Brown seems to have hit the nail on the head. His statement was regarded tonight as a sort of a last-minute "club" to force through the deductible clause. It became apparent to Republican leaders yesterday that if the special session was to accomplish anything, and they believed the public in general would be dissatisfied if it didn't that the deductible policy offered the only salvation.

There is no mystery about this insurance rate problem. It is a simple question of economics. Before the rates were announced for 1932 the insurance companies asked Mr. Brown to allow them an average of 20 per cent increase. The insurance commission combed the statistics thoroughly and decided he would allow no more than an average of 11 per cent.

The demerit system, the rating bureau under state control, and the quick notice of claims are all worthy of consideration for improving the situation; and eventually they may bring a reduction in accident loss, which is the basis for rate making.

But none of these offer immediate hope of reduction. The ommission of guest claims, under which a rider would not be able to sue his host, is figured at the most, even by Governor Ely who proposed it, to mean a reduction of not more than 1 per cent. That still leaves 10 per cent to be cared for by other methods. It is doubtful if even the deductible policy can accomplish such a saving.

QUINCY NEWS 10/30/31

Mayor Curley to Speak Before C. C. Monday

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, will talk on "The Metropolitan Plan" at the annual meeting of the Quincy Chamber of Commerce, Monday night.

A second speaker will be Charles Woodmansee of New York, who will describe, "Visualization in Business." The speaking programs will follow a dinner, which will be served at 6:15 o'clock.

QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 11/2/31

MAYOR CURLEY GIVES C. OF C. TALK TONIGHT

Will Speak at Annual Meeting on Metropolitan Boston Plan

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston will speak on several aspects of his plan for a Metropolitan Boston at the annual meeting tonight of the Chamber of Commerce. The meeting will open with a dinner and will include the announcement of the election returns for the new directors.

The supper will begin at 6:15 o'clock and Mayor Curley will speak immediately afterward. His plan for incorporating the municipalities around Boston into a large city has been discussed for some time and has always been opposed by Quincy speakers.

C. W. Woodmansee of the National Institute of Visual Learning will speak on visualization in business. The entertainment will include specialty dancing by Miss Maria Mollica and Edward Nelson and accordian solos by Dora Cappuchio.

Nine directors will be chosen and the returns of the recent election will be announced at the meeting.

QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 11/2/31

I missed one of the leading supporters of the Quincy Chamber of Commerce at the annual meeting and dinner last night. When, happening to meet him in the square this morning, I asked him "How come"? (I guess it was, rather, How not come?) he replied that he was just enough of a bigot to be resentful of what Mayor Curley had said some time ago about Aimee McPherson, the evangelist. "If I had been at the chamber," he concluded, "I would have wanted the Boston mayor to talk on the topic, 'Evangelists I have met'." Don't these Scots stick together!

SALEM NEWS 11/3/31

CURLEY WILL NOT NEED PROTECTION HERE TOMORROW

Mayor Boston to Be Guest of Honor and Speaker at Chamber of Commerce Get-Together at Hotel

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston will have no need of protection, such as was given him last evening while broadcasting in connection with today's election in Boston, when he comes to Salem tomorrow evening as the guest of honor and speaker at the smoker and get-together of the Salem Chamber of Commerce, to be held at the Hotel Hawthorne.

Mayor Curley has been through an extremely busy campaign against city council fees and because of this, Salemites may consider it exceptionally fortunate that he was able to be secured to speak in this city at this particular time.

No word has yet been received as to what Boston's impetuous mayor



WILLIAM E. LAVENDER
Chairman of Committee

will talk about when he comes here tomorrow evening but with all that has been happening in the state and elsewhere recently, those who attend the get-together can be sure of listening to somthing worthwhile. Salemites who have heard Mayor Curley speak will want to hear him again while those who have not should not miss this unusual opportunity.

The committee, under the leadership of William E. Lavender, has worked hard to secure Mayor Curley as the speaker at the first of a series of smokers and get-togethers which are being sponsored by the local Chamber of Commerce. Atty. M. J. Reardon will be the toastmaster and Timothy W. Fitzgerald, president of the city council, will represent the city in the absence of the mayor, who is filling a speaking engagement in Newburyport, and Pres. J. Asbury Pitman will extend the greetings of the Chamber. There will be music and singing in general and altogether it will be a most profitable affair.

All who are planning to attend should get their tickets as soon as possible, if they have not already done so, as the supply has been limited.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 11/3/31

DEATH THREATS PUT POLICE AT BOSTON POLLS

Curley Guarded; All Detectives and Uniformed Men on Duty

12 CITIES BALLOTING

Mayors to Be Elected in 11; Incumbents Candidates in Nine

BOSTON, Nov. 3 (AP)—Boston today faced its most sensational off-year election in many years, as voters in 11 other municipalities went about the duty of selecting city officials in a quiet and more decorous manner.

In each of the Massachusetts elections excepting Boston a mayor was to be elected and in nine of the cities the present mayor was candidate for re-election. Boston's polling was confined to 22 councillors and three School committee members.

Death Threats Alleged.

In Boston, election day found every detective and uniformed officer of the Police department ordered to report for duty. Special squads of officers were ordered to districts where the campaigning has been bitter and detectives were especially watchful in the Dorchester and South Boston sections, where City council candidates claim to have received death threats.

A police guard was set about Mayor Curley as he toured the city last night, speaking for or against the present city councillors up from re-election. One woman sought a council seat. She was Mrs. Eleanor Creed L'Ecuyer of the Dorchester section, and victory would make her the first woman to sit in Boston's city government.

EAST BOSTON ARGUS-ADVOCATE 12/30/31

Looks as though Mayor Curley will have a hard time controlling the Massachusetts delegates to the next national Democratic convention. Strange as it may seem, and almost incredible to imagine, the Mayor might not have the necessary stamina to continue to control his own vote as a delegate to name a presidential nominee.

SALEM NEWS 10/31/31

Expect Big Crowd Will Hear Curley At Chamber Meet

Complete arrangements for the smoker and get-together dinner to be held Wednesday night under the auspices of the Salem Chamber of Commerce at the Hotel Hawthorne were made yesterday afternoon at a meeting of the committee and advance reports from the members of the committee indicate that the main dining room of the hotel will be completely filled for this occasion which is to be featured by the presence of Hon. James M. Curley, mayor of Boston, who is to be the guest and speaker of the evening.

The preliminary sale of tickets has been exceptional due to the fact that a great many are most anxious to hear Mayor Curley and what he will have to say. The committee thus found it necessary to limit the sale of tickets and is therefore urging all members of the Chamber to secure their tickets immediately. This may



ATTY. M. J. REARDON,
Toastmaster

be done either by phoning directly to the Chamber of Commerce, or by securing tickets from any of the following committee members: Chairman William E. Lavender, M. J. Reardon, George S. LaPorte, Daniel N. Crowley, Dr. F. E. Jeffrey and Samuel Kerr.

This affair will begin at 6.30 and will be informal. Music will be furnished by an orchestra and community singing will be conducted under the leadership of F. Carroll Sargent.

Timothy W. Fitzgerald, president of the city council, will represent the city of Salem, owing to the absence of the mayor who has a speaking engagement in Newburyport. However, Mayor Bates is greatly in hopes of returning so that he may take part in the meeting prior to its close.

Michael J. Reardon is to be the toastmaster which certainly will assure all those present of many pleasantries during the affair.

Anyone desiring tickets may have the same by applying to the Chamber of Commerce or to members of the committee. This is the first of a series of monthly smokers and get-together meetings of the Chamber of Commerce. Plans include public speakers each month during the winter season. Plans are already under way for the December meeting.

WALTHAM NEWS-TRIBUNE 10/31/31

GOV. RITCHIE GIVEN GREAT RECEPTION

BOSTON, Mass., Oct. 31 (United Press).—The one bright spot in the current depression is that it has enabled the American people to see the shallowness and the falsity of any good in stock political beliefs, Dr. Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland believes.

The Governor, long considered a possible candidate for Democratic Presidential nomination, made his statement today in a speech at the luncheon of the Democratic State Committee at the Parker House.

Governor Joseph B. Ely and many other Democratic leaders were present, but Mayor James M. Curley, ardent supporter of Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York, had a prior engagement.

"It was hard to find a bright spot," Ritchie said, "with from five to seven million people out of work."

For 35 years, he said, the G. O. P. had predicted that "with a Republican President and a Republican Congress prosperity was assured." He said that nobody believes that now.

"The Republican party," he said, "has tried to lift the Western wheat farmer by his own boot straps." Then, referring to the southern cotton plight he said, "We talk of too much cotton in a world where millions of people have not enough clothes to wear."

BEVERLY TIMES 10/5/31

CURLEY TELLS OF PLANS FOR RELIEF WORK

Boston Mayor Speaker at Annual Banquet of Salem Chamber of Commerce

"I do not believe that the United States will survive another depression and find the people still truly democratic,' asserted Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, speaking before more than 200 persons at the Salem Chamber of Commerce last evening. Attorney Michael J. Reardon presided.

"All a man wants is the opportunity to work and to provide for his family in decency and in honor," the Mayor said. "He should be given that opportunity."

The Mayor repeated his claim that "the United States is now in a position to say to foreign countries, we will abrogate debts if you will enter into disarmament agreements."

"Boston," he said, talking about unemployment, "has helped more people than are contained in the entire population of Chelsea. And Boston shall continue to help them."

Of his economy policies, he said he has cut $100,000 for overtime, $25,000 for telephone calls—"there will be no more telephone calls to Hong Kong and San Francisco"—and $125,000 for chauffeur service for officials.

The five-day week, he said, will cost Boston $350,000 to put it into effect. That represents five cents per $1000 on valuation. He said that if business generally were to employ the five-day week it would take up the entire slack in employment.

WORCESTER POST 10/5/31

A MAYOR'S CLOWNING

The spectacle of the mayor of Boston faring forth, accompanied by an armed guard, to campaign against the election of three members of the City Council not in sympathy with him does not carry very much conviction with people of common sense as to the mayor's dignity or judgment. The mayor of Boston is a past master in manufacturing the kind of publicity which constantly gets him on the front page, but it is to be doubted if his latest escapade adds very much to the reputation of Boston.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 10/5/31

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SALEM NEWS 10/31/31

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WORCESTER GAZETTE 10/31/31

RITCHIE STIRS POLITICAL POT

Visit of Maryland Governor to Boston Tomorrow Marks Opening of Presidential Aspiration Campaign

DEMOCRATIC LEADERS MAINTAIN ALOOFNESS

By JAMES H. GUILFOYLE

BOSTON, Oct. 30—Gov. Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland arrives in Boston tomorrow for what may be a significant visit with relation to the presidential primaries to be held next April.



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Fortified with the support of no less an important political personage than Charles F. Riordan, vice chairman of the Democratic state committee, the Maryland executive's visit really marks the opening of the campaign to swing delegates to the national convention from this state to his banner.

The presidential situation from the Democratic standpoint is developing into somewhat of a tangled mess. Distinguished Democrats such as Chairman Fank J. Donahue of the state committee, United States Senators David I. Walsh and Marcus A. Coolidge, and Gov. Joseph B. Ely are maintaining a "handsoff" attitude until there is more crystallization of sentiment.

Early in the year Mayor Curley was credited with supporting a movement to draft Owen D. Young as the choice of the Bay State Democrats. He invited him to be the July Fourth orator and issued a statement referring to his Massachusetts connections as one reason why he should receive that support without qualification.

Then the mysterious Col. E. M. House, confidant of the late Woodrow Wilson, came to Massachusetts to spend his summer at Manchester-by-the-Sea and immediately there was discernible a strong tendency toward Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York. The climax to the Roosevelt boom came in June when Colonel House invited a select group of Democratic and Republican leaders to meet the New York executive at a luncheon.

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Since then Curley has been working night and day in the interests of Roosevelt. Clubs have been formed in sections of Boston and he has inaugurated a nation-wide club to support the Empire state governor.

Curley Arouses Speculation

There is of course much speculation as to the idea which Curley has in mind. These speculations run the gamut from vice president of the ticket with Roosevelt to a place in his cabinet an the ever present threat that he may oppose Governor Ely for the gubernatorial nomination. Mayor Curley says nothing but smiles. He gives no clue to his future ambitions. Several times he has been cheered as a candidate for vice president and has doffed his hat in acknowledgement.

It is obvious that geographical consideration would not permit the nomination of Curley for vice president if Roosevelt is the standard bearer. Two Eastern states candidates wouldn't get anywhere. There is less inclination to think of Curley as a gubernatorial candidate than there was earlier in the year. The belief is strong that Curley thinks largely of a cabinet post or if not that the influence he might have with Roosevelt, assuming he was elected.

It is no secret that some of the prominent Democrats are not supporters of Curley. They have never played ball with Curley's organization and they have no desire to increase his influence. This attitude is largely responsible for the lack of enthusiasm for the Roosevelt candidacy. It is not that the Democrats do not like Roosevelt but they like Curley less.

Now comes Governor Ritchie and in the full-fledged role of a potential candidate for the Democratic nomination for president. When he arrives tomorrow he breakfasts with Governor Ely, as a matter of courtesy. In the afternoon he is a luncheon guest of the Democratic state committee and in the evening he attends a session of the famous Clover club of Boston. And the other guests include Governor Ely, Senators Walsh and Coolidge, Senator George H. Moses of New Hampshire and Mayor Curley.

The Ritchie visit means that immediately after he has departed his admirers in this state are going to begin an active campaign to try and counteract whatever ground Roosevelt may have gained through the Curley campaign in his interest.

Baker Interest Growing

It is obvious, however, that the rank and file of the Democrats, have little encouragement for Ritchie's nomination. And they are beginning to question if Roosevelt can win. But with two presidential booms underway politics may perk up and bring some real flashy developments. In the meantime there is a growing sentiment with influential support for Newton D. Baker, the former secretary of war, who has a legion of admirers in Massachusetts Democracy.

When Governor Roosevelt was in Boston it was generally believed that all that stood between him and the support of the Bay State Democarts was the possible candidacy of Gov. Alfred E. Smith. The feeling was that Smith could have anything he wanted from Massachusetts and if he didn't want anything then the man who nominated him three times would have the next opportunity.

Lately, however, that feeling has changed because of the attitude of Smith toward Roosevelt. There is a belief now that while Smith could easily capture the Massachusetts delegation it might be different matter to throw his strength to any particular candidate. The majority of the Democratic leaders while they may think Massachusetts can support him and chastise Mr. Curley, even though the former New York governor retires from the field before the convention.

Smith will not run they have not burned their bridges by keeping silent as to a choice. Mayor Curley is the exception he has come out for Roosevelt regardless.

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WALTHAM NEWS-TRIBUNE 10/31/31

LEDOUX WILL WRESTLE HERE

Second Waldorf Show Is Listed For Nov. 17

The second show of the Waltham Wrestling Association has been definitely set for Tuesday, November 17th, it was announced today. This will be held at the Waldorf Theatre and another high class card is now in process of formation.

Gene Ledoux, the flying Frenchman, who always stages a spectacular performance has been secured for the main attraction and a capable opponent will be announced within a few days. The semi-final will feature Jack Bloomfield of New York, National Y. M. H. A champ.

Longer Respite

Negotiations are going forward to open the show with a local bout and other evenly-matched preliminaries will be booked to round out the five-bout program. A new and lower price scale has been adopted.

The new club has taken a longer respite than at first anticipated between its first and second shows. It was originally planned to run next week, but Mayor Curley's request that no bouts be staged in suburban Boston so as to leave the field clear for the big unemployment show has been honored, while the club is also taking the holiday week off so as not to conflict with the Armistice Day program of the Legion in any way.

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NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 11/4/31

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Times-Sund Nov. 8

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The election was for City Council and School Committee. For the former body seventeen members were re-elected. Of the five new members three are political foes of the Mayor, and toward the last the Mayor entered the canvass against them. In the school committee of five members, three places were filled. Two new members were chosen and one old member was returned for another four years. All three of these candidates were backed by the Mayor. The net result is a gain for him.

The Council of twenty-two will be strongly with him, although the opposition will be more vociferous even than before. But over the School Committee he has gained a vast increase of influence. One of the holdover members is "his," and for passing any appropriation four votes are required.

Another feature of the day was the subjection of the "P. S. A." and the "G. G. A." to defeat. The Public School Association has almost always elected its candidates the past twenty-five years; the Good Government Association not so often, but its influence is great. This time it won only one of its five endorsements. Both these organizations are supposed to represent the best interests of the city without political partisanship, and their support is eagerly sought by most candidates.

LEXINGTON TIMES-MINUTE-MAN 10/6/31

Boston Stores To Be Open Armistice Day

In line with the formal decision of the retail trade board of commerce yesterday not to close retail stores Armistice Day Mayor Curley produced the suggestion to representatives of the American Legion and its auxiliaries that it would be advisable to observe all holidays, other than the Fourth of July and Christmas Day on Saturday.

The Mayor a'so suggested combining the observances of Armistice Day and Christmas Day on the latter day.

In his statement he emphasized that he appreciated the trend towards the abandonment of the observance of holidays by merchants by suspension of business and he stressed the idea of deferring until Saturday the celebration of any holiday falling on some previous day of the week.

Officials of the Retail Trade Board had been invited by Legion officials to confer at the Mayor's office regarding the observance of Armistice Day.

President Sidney S. Conrad of the board set forth the ideas of the body as aiming to relieve Boston merchants of the burden of a superabundance of holidays. In addition he stressed the point it is advisible to keep business going without loss ot any time during the present.

QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 11/4/01

Caught Off the Air

I overheard a number of men present at the Quincy Chamber of Commerce dinner Monday evening laying bets that Mayor Curley would not show up. True, he had been listed as the star speaker, and the fact that almost 200 diners had gathered around the long tables was enough to show that a lot of Quincy folk wanted to hear him. Yet it was the night before the Boston election, and the bettors figured that the mayor would be so busy with his night-before rallies and such that he would never "make" Quincy. He did, though. And his coming put the last touch on the C. of C. assembly to register a fine success. Quincy men as a rule don't see much for Quincy in the Greater Boston unification, but they think "Jim" is a picturesque speaker and they like to hear him.

Come to think of it, the Boston mayor must have his own reasons for making good on his Quincy engagement just when there were so many Boston matters and gatherings to claim him. I rather think it was his interest in spreading the Greater Boston gospel. He knows Quincy is skeptical on that plan, and therefore he probably figured it was worth while to come out at a time when he could get so many business people together to hear his views about what it would accomplish. The mayor is a plausible talker, and he made it seem as if linking the independent suburban communities with Boston would be a great stroke in winning favorable commercial adjustments amidst the competition of other big cities of the country. I rather think Quincy will go on taking the Quincy view of the matter, however.

Mayor McGrath sat through the meeting in the next seat to the Boston mayor, and listened very graciously, as is his way. But I have an idea that even the Boston man's joking reference to the attitude of his Quincy brother executive didn't do much to change the Quincy mayor's mind as to Greater Boston. Mayor McGrath has spoken right out in meeting on the subject, where many other mayors have heard him, and what he says as a rule doesn't leave a leg for the unification idea to stand on. I guess he expresses the general sentiment of his city, too.

By the way, wasn't it unusual for a mayor of Quincy to be present at an annual meeting of the local Chamber of Commerce and not be called on for a word of greeting or something? Probably it was because President Hickey had to present Mayor Curley before the people at the tables had finished eating, in order to allow the speaker time to get to the radio station for an advertised broadcast. That must have disarranged the program more or less, and it took away from its formality. So Mayor McGrath was not called on. Just the same he was a good listener and his presence all through in the long line at the head table helped to give a tone to the meeting. I rather think he got more or less satisfaction out of seeing such a hall-full of fine-looking active representatives of Quincy's business life assembled under the local Chamber of Commerce at a time when the Boston mayor was coming to look them over.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 11/4/31

THREE FOES OF MAYOR CURLEY WIN IN BOSTON COUNCIL FIGHT

Trio of Hub Executive's Choice Successful in School Committee Contest — Police Called to Quiet Demonstration in Vicinity of Mayoralty Residence — Election Results in 12 Cities of Massachusetts

BOSTON, Nov. 4 (INS)—Victory of three foes of Mayor James M. Curley in a bitter Boston City Council fight, a demonstration outside the Curley home in Jamaica Way for the candidates the mayor sought to defeat, Democratic sweeps in Worcester and Lowell, the defeat of the mayors of Medford and Lowell and the reelection of seven mayors featured returns today of 12 municipal elections in Massachusetts.

Police were called to the Curley home to detour a line of "serenaders" cheering, jeering, blowing horns and waving banners. The demonstration today was a windup to the most strenuous "off-year" election the city has ever seen, John F. Dowd, Francis E. Kelly and Clement A. Norton, political enemies of Mayor Curley being returned to office by voters of Wards 8, 15 and 18, respectively. Mayor Curley, however, saw his three choices for school committee elected with former Rep. Maurice J. Tobin heading the list with 65,745 votes.

In the elections in 11 other cities, the mayors reelected were:

Cambridge—Richard M. Russell, non-partisan.

Somerville—John J. Murphy, Democrat.

Everett—Michael C. O'Neill, non-partisan.

Waltham—Patrick J. Duane, non-partisan.

Springfield — Dwight R. Winter, Democrat.

Fitchburg—Joseph N. Carriere, Non-partisan.

In Lowell, the Democrats swept the polls, electing 10 councilmen, and installing Rep. Charles H. Slowey in the mayoral chair over Mayor Thomas H. Braden, Republican candidate for re-election for a third term, 17,934 to 16,140.

Mayor Edward H. Larkin, of Medford, also failed of reelection for a fourth term, and bowed to Alderman John H. Burke in a Non-partisan election by a vote of 9318 to 8737.

In Pittsfield and Worcester, new men were chosen for the mayoralty chairs. Rep. Patrick J. Moore, 70-year-old Democrat, was elected in the former city over Fred W. Brunell, Republican, by a majority of more than 2000 votes. In Worcester, Democrats swept John C. Mahoney into the mayoralty over Roland S. G. Frodigh, the Republican candidate.

Mayor Russell was returned to office in Cambridge by 10,000 margin. It was the greatest majority ever given a mayoralty candidate in the history of Cambridge. He defeated D. F. Tobin in a non-partisan election.

The narrowest margin was recorded in Somerville, where late returns showed Mayor Murphy the winner.

Mayor Carriere of Fitchburg was elected for a third term over William J. Handley, non-partisan.

Mayor Winters of Springfield, a Democrat, was returned to that office with a plurality of 10,806.

pass some kind of legislation which would reduce the 1932 insurance rates.

The suggestions for the measure, were drawn up into an informal bill for presentation today to a caucus of Republican members of the Senate. If it is favorable to the senators, the bill will be introduced into the Senate, and upon passage in that branch would be referred to the House of Representatives for approval. Its fate in the lower branch however, was problematical, since the House, early in the special session, choked off all attempts for passage of a total financial responsibility measure, and later, killed bills calling for the elimination of guest liability and a deductible policy.

Pittsfield returns indicated Democratic majorities in the Common Council, Board of Aldermen and School committee. Democrats were victorious in five of the seven Common Council districts.

George W. Rice, Jr., a Republican, was elected city treasurer of Springfield. For the first time in the history of that city Democrats were victorious in seven of the eight aldermanic districts. The lone Republican is Alderman Henry A. Martens. The defeat of Chairman Franklin A. Latimer, a member of the School committee for 20 years, was one of the sensations of the campaign there.

NO BURN TIMES 10/30/31

LEO J. QUINN GETS PHOTO OF MAYOR CURLEY

Secretary Leo J. Quinn of the Democratic City Committee was presented with an autographed photograph of Mayor Curley during a visit to Boston City Hall, yesterday. They had a pleasant conversation and Mayor Curley sent his kindest regards to all his friends in this city, Mr. Quinn said.

BOSTON TRANSCRIPT 10/30/31

Presented Flags To Mary Curley School

The Women's Patriotic and Civic League presented an American flag, a State flag, and forty school room flags to the new Mary E. Curley School, Wednesday. Mrs. Mary MacNeill, president of the league presented the State flag in honor of Mayor Curley; Mrs. Charles S. Sullivan, wife of Judge Sullivan, presented a flag, in memory of James M. Curley, Jr.; and Miss Margaret O'Connell presented a flag in memory of Dorothea Curley. Mayor Curley, his daughter, Miss Mary Curley, members of the School Committee, Supt. of Schools Jeremiah E. Burke and Alexander Sullivan, business manager of the School Committee, attended the exercises.

QUINCY NEWS 11/2/31

Curley Addresses Chamber Tonight

The annual meeting of the Quincy Chamber of Commerce will be held tonight in the Cliveden building headquarters.

Dinner will be served at 6:15 o'clock, after which Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, will give a talk on the metropolitan plan.

A second speaker will be Charles M. Woodmansee of the National Institute of Visual Learning, New York, who will talk on visualization in today's business. It is expected that the nine new members of the board of directors of the Chamber will be named.

Mayor Curley will be introduced at the end of the dinner. At the conclusion of his talk there will be a special entertainment comprising novelty dances by Miss Marie Molica and Edward Nelson. Miss Dora Cappuccio of Boston will play a number of popular pieces on an accordian, and will later conduct community singing.

A special table has been reserved for women members of the Chamber. The invited guests include the three secretaries of the organization, Miss Alice Hogan, Miss Doris Scott and Mrs. Pauline Stanley.

LEOMINSTER ENTERPRISE 11/2/31

—Hon. James M. Curley, mayor of Boston and an orator of wide reputation, will be the special guest speaker at a Holy Communion breakfast which will be held under the auspices of the Holy Name Society of St. Leo's Church in City Hall at 10 o'clock Sunday morning. The breakfast will follow Communion at St. Leo's Church at 9 o'clock. The breakfast will be a public affair and the first of its kind in this city for several years. Rev. Fr. John Wolohan is in charge of arrangements.

SPRINGFIELD NEW 11/5/31

Bacon's New Auto Insurance Scheme Sure to Meet Fate Of Other Proposed Panaceas

Program Drafted After Conference With Attorneys For Insurance Companies Certain to Be Rejected By Legislature; Would Merely Break Down Protection For Motorists

By HENRY G. LOGAN
Staff Correspondent of The Daily News

Boston, Nov. 5—This new insurance proposed to reduce rates, trotted out by Gaspar G. Bacon after conferring with counsel for the insurance interests, bids fare to meet the same fate as others have met that have had glaring faults. It is a "mongrel" measure at its best, as Representative Roland D. Sawyer of Ware branded it immediately it became known it would be presented, and has no more place on the statute books, in so far as the welfare of motorists is concerned, than the "deductible" idea or the straight financial responsibility bill. It is just another one of those ideas intended to break down protection for the motorist and permit the insurance companies to gouge him at will through premiums charged.

In fact, it is a poor financial responsibility idea, at its best. It would compel the motorist to insure in order to guarantee damages to any pedestrian he might hit or survivors of any pedestrian he might kill. That would be as far as the compulsory law, now on the statute books, would extend. All other coverage the motorist would have to buy at the price fixed by the company. It would provide that if a motorist had an accident in which other than a pedestrian were hurt, and the pedestrian obtained judgment for damages, the motorist would be ruled off the road until he made settlement of the judgment, and then he would have to provide guarantee of financial responsibility for future accidents at a price that the companies and the insurance commissioner might agree was proper. If he failed to settle the judgment he could never drive a car again in this state.

Bacon Snaps the Whip

President Bacon snapped the whip in the Senate during a caucus yesterday and the majority of the Republican senators sprang to attention and agreed to support the measure which he fathers. Over in the House side, however, criticism aplenty was heard, even from prominent Republican members, and it seems probable that when the Senate sends this mongrel proposition to the House, it will promptly "put the heel" to it and continue to prevent any attempts to benefit the insurance interests at the expense of the motorists.

Highway Fight Continues

The highway contract battle continues apace, the latest development being the prayer to supreme court for an injunction to prevent consummation of a contract, by public works department, with a firm to construct a highway and bridge in Canterbury street in Boston. The second lowest bidder, alleging illegalities in the lowest bidder's bid, would have the award to the latter thrown out and a new contract made with him.

Some very awkward stories are going the rounds in the State House in explanation of the week's delay in filing the bond in this matter by the lowest bidder. The petitioner in the court action asserts the public works department gave this lowest bidder a week to obtain a bond, and in insurance circles, it is freely stated by agents that they refused to be a party to this bond. It finally was written by an agent of a Maryland company, whose business is handled by a relative of Mayor Curley of Boston. This, of course, angers the bonding firms who consider themselves entitled to the commonwealth contract bonds, because they have been supporters of Gov Ely. However, their loss in this matter is nothing new—bond salesmen accredited with being "Curley men" have written numerous highway and building contract bonds since Gov Ely came into power and probably will continue to do so, as things are now being run. Not that this is illegal, but it is not considered "good cricket" by the Ely supporters.

Gov Ely has said that the state rating and control board is unnecessary because the company-conducted board is working honestly and efficiently. He might do well to publicly brand this measure as one that would increase the cost to the automobilists; thus far, he hasn't done so, and the bill has progressed as far as Senate ways and means committee, after receiving favorable action in the lower branch.

When one realizes that a bill like this, to saddle extra expense on the taxpayer, in this case the motorists generally, can be eased through the Legislature with so little opposition, it seems too bad that the public doesn't take greater interest in legislative proposals, so it can make known its opposition in time to prevent their enactment, not later on. So many bills, creating new jobs to be filled by political patronage, are enacted from year to year, most of them unnecessary, that something has got to be done, or in a relatively short time half the taxpayers will be supporting the other half who occupy state or other governmental division jobs.

It seems apparent that the spotlight is soon to be turned on another state department than the public works because of the award of contracts to second lowest, third lowest, and, in one case fifth lowest, bidders, after discarding reputable and financially responsible firms who had bid lower. This was what happened in the construction of a state building in a Boston district, and it has been done with respect to other buildings in the same department. At present, this department is holding up the award of a contract to instal a boiler in a Hampden county institution—the bids have been known for nearly three weeks.

Two kinds of boilers were named to be bid upon in the specifications. A boilermaking firm in the northeastern part of the state submitted the lowest bid on the longitudinal boiler, such as has been installed of late in all state institutions in this department, but a Pennsylvania firm was lowest bidder on the upright boiler. Its bid for this kind of boiler is several thousand dollars higher than the Bay State firm's proffer to instal the longitudinal one, rumor has it the Pennsylvania firm yet rumor has it the Pennsylvania firm

If it is proper for highway contracts to be awarded to second lowest bidders, one may properly ask why it is not proper for a Massachusetts concern to be awarded a contract in another department, when it submits the lowest bid? The answer seems to be found in the fact that highway bids of a certain kind came before the executive council for approval, whereas the other department can award a contract for a building to cost any amount, and it does not require executive council approval. The condition in this development offers plenty of food for thought.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 11/6/31

She "Buys" Mayor



Barbara McDonough (above), whose "purchase" of Mayor James M. Curley, of Boston, turned out a hoax. In court, she testified to having paid Frank Brown, Boston druggist, $1,106 on a promise that the latter would "fix it" for her to marry Mayor Curley. Brown was given a year in prison for larceny as a result of his "buying the mayor" deal.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 11/5/31

CONTEST LOOMS OVER CONTROL OF NEW COUNCIL

Curley's Foes Seek to Consolidate Block Hostile to Executive

Boston, Nov. 5—With three members of the school committee, a majority, elected with his indorsement, Mayor Curley turned last night to the organization of the city council for the two remaining years of his administration. He is confident that there will be continued cooperation between his office and the majority of the council on matters of constructive benefit to the city.

At the same time, the mayor's opponents within the council began attempts to organize a block sufficiently strong to exercise a veto over important appropriation matters. Of the council's 22 members, a two-thirds vote is necessary for the approval of loan orders, sale of city land and other major measures. The anti-Curley members are attempting to form a group of eight pledged to stand together on such orders.

The three members whom the mayor sought unsuccessfully to defeat—Councilmen Dowd, Kelly and Norton—are attempting to organize the anti-Curley group. They hope to be joined by Councilman-elect Thomas M. Burke of ward 17, Dorchester, who defeated Councilman Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr. The latter had the support of Mayor Curley. Burke said yesterday, however, that he expects to cooperate with the mayor as well as his council colleagues, and apparently is not going to City Hall with any chip on his shoulder for the mayor.

The mayor's opponents are also counting on Councilman-elect David M. Brackman of ward 12, Roxbury, who defeated Councilman Herman L. Bush who had the active backing of the mayor. Brackman, however, declared yesterday he intends to remain independent of any control and will vote as he thinks the majority of his constituents wish.

Councilman John I. Fitzgerald of the West end, Martin Lomasney's representative in the council, has occasionally voted against the mayor but even adding Fitzgerald, Brackman and Burke to the anti-Curley trio, the foes of the administration would still lack the necessary votes to block his program on major appropriations.

Of the other new members elected, George P. Donovan of ward 6, who defeated Councilman Michael J. Mahoney, is a city employe, although he ran without the approval of the mayor; William H. Barker of East Boston, who replaces Timothy F. Donovan, is a Curley supporter, and George W. Roberts of ward 4, the Back Bay, is a product of the Republican organization of Charles H. Innes. The latter is on friendly terms with the Curley administration.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 11/7/31

A Curley Victory.

From the Boston Transcript.

Mayor Curley actually won a victory in yesterday's election and strengthened his grip on the city government of Boston. This fact may not be readily apparent to the casual reader, but when the circumstances are examined, it will be seen that it is true. Councilors Kelly, Dowd and Norton, who were reelected over his opposition, always have been enemies of the mayor. His fight against them was in the nature of personal warfare. But despite their victory the mayor still is as strong in the Council as he was before; for although other members occasionally have opposed him on the merits of some recommendation, he remains in practical control of the body.

It was in the contest for the school committee that the mayor won a major victory and now that body is his also. Only one of the candidates indorsed by the hitherto influential Public School Asseociation won, but this candidate, Joseph J. Hurley, was also supported by the mayor. Maurice J. Tobin and Charles E. Mackey were distinctly Curley selections, and Tobin topped the list and Mackey was only third. Mr. Reilly, the sitting member, who was not up this year, has favored the mayor's ideas, and even Mrs. Pigeon has not always found them impracticable. So here again, whether for the good or the ill of the schools, Mayor Curley will exert absolute control. It was not a bad day for the mayor, who philosophically remarks that it is not for him to question the will of the people.

LEOMINSTER ENTERPRISE 11/6/31

MAYOR CURLEY UNABLE TO COME

Not to Come to Leominster for Address Scheduled.

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston will not be able to come to Leominster for his address at the Communion breakfast to be held by the Holy Name Society of St. Leo's Catholic Church on Sunday morning, according to word received by The Enterprise today direct from Mayor Curley's secretary, C. A. Reardon, who stated that Mayor Curley will be away over the week-end.

In his place Mayor Curley has designated William G. O'Hare, penal institutions commissioner of the City of Boston, as his official representative. The secretary expresses regret that Mayor Curley will not be able to be in Leominster at the time announced, and for the event which so many friends and admirers of Mayor Curley in Leominster and vicinage had looked forward to with anticipation.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 11/8/31

Curley and the Schools

Mayor Curley is credited with having captured the Boston school committee, ending the control of that body by the nonpolitical Public School association. This is not an encouraging outlook for the Boston schools. But Frank A. Goodwin, former registrar of motor vehicles, and now chairman of the Boston Finance commission, was also active in the contest over school committee. He had his own candidates, and it would appear at this distance that the activities of Goodwin's Boston School league, as it was called, must have made more difficult the election of the Public School association's candidates. Mr Goodwin's candidates assailed Mayor Curley for his participation in the school board contest, but if they had been sincere in opposing Mr Curley they would have withdrawn and helped to elect the candidates whom the mayor was seeking to defeat. Undoubtedly, there were reasons for criticizing the old school committee, but the judgment of the Public School association gave the public the soundest guidance in the circumstances and might well have been good enough for Mr Goodwin.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 11/1/31

CURLEY WILL SEE LEOMINSTER GAME

LEOMINSTER, Nov. 5.—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, who will be one of the guests and the principal speaker at the Communion breakfast in City hall Sunday morning under the auspices of the Holy Name Society of St. Leo's parish, will also see the semi-professional football game at the Senior High school in the afternoon, Veterans of Foreign Wars officials announced this afternoon.

The game Sunday will see the powerful and undefeated Leominster V. F. W., eleven line up against the reputedly strong Vernon A. C. of Worcester.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 11/8/31

If Gov Ely is correctly quoted, he holds the opinion that the Massachusetts Democratic delegation in the next national convention "will be in-'clined to follow the leadership of 'Gov Smith," although it would probably go to the convention unpledged. He did not go beyond that, evidently, in his Washington interview, but the inference to be drawn is that if Mr Smith opposes the nomination of Gov Roosevelt for President, the Massachusetts delegates for the most part will line up with him. What does Mayor Curley say to that?

SALEM NEWS 11/5/31

FEARS FOR DEMOCRACY IF UNITED STATES HAS ANOTHER DEPRESSION

Salem News Nov 5 1931

Mayor James M. Curley Asks Chamber Support Federal Planning Comm.; Urges Strong Defence Until World Agrees to Disarm



MAYOR JAMES M. CURLEY
Of Boston, Speaker



ATTY. M. J. REARDON
Of Salem, Toastmaster

Declaring that America could not survive another depression similar to the one through which it has just passed and still remain democratic, Hon. James M. Curley, mayor of Boston, in speaking before approximately 200 business and industrial men of the city at the Hotel Hawthorne last evening, on the occasion of the first of a series of dinners, smokers and get-togethers being sponsored by the Salem Chamber of Commerce, urged the local organization to support the creation of the federal industrial planning commission, non-partisan in character, which would be charged with the responsibility of studying the industrial situation of the country and submitting its findings to congress. Such an organization, he stated, would help to do away with future depressions and in the advent of such periods of depression, would at least bring about the minimization of their effects. Hearings on the creation of such a board are now being held in Washington.

Speaking straight to the point and in the familiar Curley manner, Boston's municipal director discussed the depression, stressing the highlights of the situation, presented several optimistic suggestions, and in addition touched upon the question of war debts and disarmament most illuminatingly. He declared that there is not an intelligent man in America who believes that a dollar on the principal of the war debts will ever be collected, unless America resorts to war and "no one would ever think of that," he said, "for it is not worth it." He stated that America is in a position to

Abrogate the Debts

if the foreign countries will agree to a program of universal disarmament agreeable to the United States of America.

Just at present, he asserted, 86 cents of every dollar of the national tax is expended to meet the obligations incurred by the war or in anticipation of war, leaving only 14 cents of every dollar to take care of everything else with the percentage in Europe being but nine cents of every dollar. "I believe in peace and that we should have the best navy and defense in the world until every other country places its own guns on the table. This country is in a position also to dictate a policy of disarmament to the rest of the world and when the other countries agree to such a policy America can afford to do so too."

Referring to the unparalleled depression as being more revolutionary than a matter of evolution, Mayor Curley explained how it differs from previous situations of such character, saying that due to the unusual wave of prosperity, high wages, good jobs, etc., the average family endeavored to be a little better and to have more than they had ever had before, with the result that they bought newer and better things, not outright, but on the payment plan, so that when crash did come, it was a matter of everybody owing something to everybody else. "Because all were living beyond their means they were not able to adjust themselves to meet the situation. Also at this time, the corner grocery and similar stores had disappeared, their places being taken over by the chain store with its cash and carry system, so that when the American public, hit by the fall in business, attempted to buy things, it was either cash or no carry. Banks asked for collateral but most families did not own their things outright and could not borrow money in that way. Then came the drain on all municipalities to meet the distress resulting from the depression.

"I once believed that people were guided by the Biblical axiom, 'Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself,' but after studying the depression situation and devising ways and means of raising money, I have come to the conclusion that you cannot depend upon the generosity of the American public to raise money for the unemployed." The mayor then mentioned some of the effects of the depression upon the city of Boston, saying that his city, which

Refuses Aid to No One

has helped more people than there are included in the population of Chelsea. He said that all individuals were responsible for the present condition for failing to develop a means of safeguarding the continuity of the workers of America. He specified that Boston was going to help its unemployed 'until prosperity returns to America and I do not think that that is far off now. We have made commendable progress despite the depression particularly in humanitarian reform." The mayor paid a tribute to the American Federation of Labor as the unit being responsible for whatever legislation has gone on the books for the workers. He digressed upon the various influences that have brought about working changes in this country, especially in regard to labor laws. No single institution was more responsible for the depression than the machine age, he said. He gave several examples of the effect of the use of machines in diminishing the number of jobs which is a serious situation. He said that there either must be a dole system or all must take a little more interest in the situation; that the problem is too big for any one organization to handle and that while the machine was created to serve man so that he could find time for greater physical and mental recreation, it has developed to such a state that there is no longer any pleasure. "Today it is not the case of losing a job but a case of the job vanishing. The export business cannot be relied upon on create new jobs, but there is the five-day week.

"There are two major propositions current. One is the creation of the federal industrial planning board and the other is the five-day week. The latter is in operation in various industries and has been in the public school system for the last half century." The mayor then went on to explain how Boston would benefit by the five-day system. He also stressed over-time payments and the cutting down of needless expenses in the city's bills. He declared that city employes are too willing to use the city's telephone to make frequent and long-distance calls.

He spoke of the tribute American individuals pay to superior minds, to logic or to presentation of facts and said that congress is willing to meet any situation if supplied with the information to do the right thing. He further stated that the average individual is a victim of the depression and all he wants is work so that he may provide for his family and safe-guard it with the decency and honor that he should.

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SALEM NEWS 11/5/31

Atty. Michael J. Reardon of this city, through whose efforts Mayor Curley was able to be obtained as the speaker at the first of the fellowship meetings of the local Chamber of Commerce, was the able toastmaster of the evening. He was introduced by William E. Lavender, chairman of the committee on arrangements, who explained the nature of the affair and spoke of the future get-togethers.

In his introduction of Mayor Curley, Atty. Reardon told of his appreciation and that of the Chamber of Commerce for his being present; referred to the mayor as a man respected and admired, stressed his fine record, ability and achievements, and called him a mayor who does things, especially for the poor and unemployed. He said that Mayor Curley might well be called the "Good Samaritan" of the poor and unemployed and expressed his desire that the mayor may soon occupy the gubernatorial seat of this commonwealth.

Representing the city of Salem in the absence of Mayor Bates who was fulfilling a speaking engagement at Newburyport, Timothy W. Fitzgerald, president of the city council, extended the official welcome, calling it a pleasant occasion as well as duty. He asserted that no man in public life has done more for progress and to help others than Mayor Curley whose efforts, he said, have not been confined entirely to the city of Boston. He mentioned a few of the mayor's outside interests, making particular reference to the steamship lines and the railroads as examples.

It was an excellent affair all around with music by the Salem Chamber of Commerce orchestra, under the direction of J. Henry Upton, and solos by Bert O'Neil of this city, enhancing the program. Mr. O'Neil gave three baritone renditions, namely "One alone," from the Desert song; "Trees," by Rasbach, and "Ole man river," from the Show Boat. Both the orchestra and Mr. O'Neil were assets to the program and it would do well for the committee to keep in mind such additions for the betterment of future meetings.

Then there was community singing, led by F. Carroll Sargent, which helped to fill in the program until the arrival of Mayor Curley. Due to a busy program, the speaker was unable to arrive until 8.15 and until that time, the music, singing and a talk by

Dr. J. Asbury Pitman

president of the Chamber of Commerce, combined to make the interim interesting. Pres. Pitman spoke of Boston's position relative to the metropolitan district and adjacent cities and towns, including Salem. He said that Salemites should be interested in what is going on in Boston, that Salem is a beneficiary of Boston and shares indirectly in anything that the latter city has that is worthwhile. He stated that Boston is really the capital of New England and has many matters of common interest in which Salemites should participate, which fact, he said will become more evident in the future. He spoke of the current interest in the highway system of the state, which should take in the North Shore, and discussed the proposed highway of the metropolitan planning board, but which stops just at present at the Salem-Swampscott line. He declared that Salem should have a voice in the formulation of the plans in the extension of the state's boulevard system, which, he said, must also be through this section. He spoke of the attitude of the rest of the country toward New England, which is regarded as a unit and mentioned the fine work being done by the New England council of which the Salem Chamber of Commerce is a member.

Following Mayor Curley's address, Dr. Pitman again referred to the rich programs that are to be held monthly during the winter months and of the need of getting together for instruction and inspiration and public good.

Seated at the head table were: M. J. Reardon, Dr. J. Asbury Pitman, Councillors Fitzgerald, Kelleher and Francis; F. Carroll Sargent, William E. Lavender, George W. Hooper, J. Clarke Brown and Sec. Lewis W. Newell.

LEOMINSTER 11/5/31

CURLEY INVITED TO PRO GAME

Boston Mayor Asked to Extend Visit in Leominster Next Sunday.

There is a possibility that at the next professional football game at the high school athletic field Sunday afternoon the Leominster Post, 1807, V. F. W., may have as their special guest of the occasion, Hon. James M. Curley, mayor of Boston.

Mayor Curley is to appear in Leominster Sunday morning to attend a Holy Communion breakfast held under the auspices of the Holy Name Society of St. Leo's church in the City Hall at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Manager Patrick J. Counihan, of the V. F. W. team, at once invited Mayor Curley to attend the football game as an honored guest.

The local management was in receipt of the following letter from the Mayor's office this morning:

"His honor the mayor desires to thank you very much for your most cordial invitation to attend the football game under the auspices of your post and if the program permits he will be most pleased to attend the game."

The communication is signed by C. A. Reardon, secretary to Mayor Curley.

CHELSEA GAZETTE 10/30/31

MAYOR CURLEY CALLS THE TURN

For years the board of fire underwriters, an adjunct to the fire insurance companies, has been urging cities to increase their fire-fighting and fire-prevention facilities with the promise that if the board's suggestions were adopted, reduced rates for fire insurance would follow.

Every new mayor, every new fire commissioner has listened to this line of talk and most of them have believed it. At the suggestion of the board, Boston long ago made itself a Class A city. In fact, Boston has followed completely the advice of the underwriters.

Now Mayor Curley neatly calls the bluff. He demands a 25 percent reduction in fire insurance rates. He calls upon the board to keep its side of the bargain.

No doubt the answer will be that losses are greater. What we are interested in knowing is whether losses are greater in proportion to revenue. Every time Boston spends a few millions, the fire insurance business profits. We installed a high-pressure system. We established a two-platoon system for firemen. We motorized the entire department. We expanded the fire-prevention bureau. We are reopening the fire college. Mayor Curley says we have done everything the underwriters have suggested.

It is about time for a showdown.
—Boston Traveler

SALEM NEWS 11/4/31

Mayor Curley to Speak at Chamber Meeting Tonight

The first of a series of smokers and get-togethers sponsored by the Salem Chamber of Commerce, will be held this evening at the Hotel Hawthorne with Hon. James M. Curley, mayor of Boston, being the guest of honor and speaker of the occasion.

With so much going on in politics, in regard to unemployment, etc., current in Boston, the Chamber considers itself fortunate in being able



TIMOTHY W. FITZGERALD
To Extend Official Greetings of City

to secure Mayor Curley to open the interesting series of fellowship gatherings. Just what the mayor will speak about is not known. Recently, however, his favorite subject has been the depression and unemployment and waht he is endeavoring to do in Boston to assist the non-workers. He speaks in general on these same topics and only yesterday gave a talk before Kiwanians on public projects which he defended. Whether his subject tonight will be on unemployment, the depression, public projects or something else, he will have much of unusual interest for all.

The affair is to begin at 6.30 with a dinner, preceded by music and followed by singing. Pres. Timothy W. Fitzgerald will repersent the city government and Pres. J. Asbury Pitman will be the spokesman for the Chamber of Commerce. Atty. M. J. Reardon will preside as toastmaster.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 11/6/32.

Whiting's Boston Letter

By E. E. WHITING

Boston, Nov. 4—Boston, like Springfield and some other cities, has been going through a municipal election; and while we here in this Athens of America did not choose a new mayor the mayor was the central figure of interest in the contest. He made himself so. He plunged into a rumpus from which he might have, perhaps more wisely, certainly more fortunately, stood aloof.

This local election thus had interest quite out of proportion to the importance of any seat in the city council or on the school committee—the latter an unpaid office. Outside of Boston, few care who are elected to this city's council; and judging by the size of the vote cast, a good many persons in Boston have little interest in that body. Of course it is vastly important that the council should be made up of good men—maybe some day a good woman, though we cannot now see what could possibly induce any woman to enter such a contest as a Boston council contest usually is. Maybe the folks of Boston are a little soured on the council, to descend into the vernacular for expression. It is not easy to think of our council except in the vernacular, for though good men do acquire seats therein, the general complexion of a contest for council seats is not inspiring. It ran true to form this time, with talk of intimidation, etc.

Yet there are sane persons in and about Boston who wonder why suburbs such as Brookline, Newton, Winchester, etc., are averse to being made a part of the larger city. The reason ought to be quite apparent—the suburbs usually have far better government than Boston.

However, there is state-wide significance in this latest local Boston election. No one officially knows whether or not Joseph Ely is to seek, or be willing to accept, a reelection. It was at the start of his administration rather freely said, about the State House and elsewhere, that he would be a "one-term" governor—by his own choice. The ingenuousness of this rumor was always open to doubt—it was rather too freely and enthusiastically circulated by Boston Democrats who did not want him to seek a second term.

This stage was followed by a general assumption that he would, on the contrary, stand for reelection. The logic was old and familiar—to the effect that any man elected to one term in high office has a natural, and in fact inevitable, desire, as his term of service proceeds, to know what the people think of it. The only way to find the answer to that question is to go before the electorate again. Thus, it is usual for any officeholder to seek a reelection.

With a fairish number of public officials this logic remains with them through their natural lives, and so it is that few die and none resign—or retire. There is something about politics that gets into the veins of men, and a man once accustomed to office-holding finds it difficult ever to pry himself loose. There is a fascination about public service which holds men. It is not the love for gain, or even power, usually, but just a curious attraction. Maybe something like the grip of strong drink. Anyway, when a man gets into politics he is likely to stay there—unless and until the dear public take things into their own hands and retire him, as the stock phrase in political campaigns goes, "to private life."

We recall years ago meeting Charles H. Bennett on the street one day, when we were walking with our father. That was a long time ago. Mr Bennett ran the corner grocery at Pine and Florence streets, and ran it well. It was something like the old-fashioned country store, with dried apples, prunes, cracker barrels, etc. The kerosene was kept in the back room, and the clerk would take the can out there and fill it and then stick a raw potato over the spout and bring it back. There was a small cigar counter, where the cigar that always impressed us—this was long before the smoking age, of course—was named the "C. H. B." We always thought it wonderful that Mr Bennett should have a cigar named after him. It was like a title of nobility.

Well, Charles Bennett has been gathered to his fathers. The old store is still there, and we guess the neighbors still depend on it as they used to, though few of them probably remember Mr Bennett—it was so long ago.

To get back on the track of doddering reminiscence: Mr Bennett had been elected to the Legislature, though the district was Republican and he was a Democrat. That was one of the first of the many political wonders we have encountered through the years. He was elected and reelected, and our recollection of comment we listened to with big ears in those long-ago days was that he was a good legislator.

On this day when we met him on the street, near his store, he had refused to be a candidate for still another term, and our father asked him why he was not willing to go back to Beacon hill. It was his reply that bit into our perception, and stuck in memory. It was this:—

"Well, I came to the point where I had to decide whether I was a politician or a grocer—and I decided I was a grocer, so I'm going to stick to the store from now on."

That seemed to us then a marvel—that any man could by choice step down from the seats of the political mighty, and be content to sell kerosene and dried apples and C. H. B. cigars. It still seems to us a marvel for we have not met too many men who had the poise and cool self-judgment of Charles Bennett. He quit politics, and for years after that we used to see him in his store, black derby hat tilted back on his head, in his teeth always a londres cigar—presumably a C. H. B.

Now, to get even farther back on the track, about this Boston election to the city council: The mayor bitterly, or at least earnestly, opposed the reelection of Councilmen Dowd, Kelley and Norton. He pursued his purpose so far as to launch a vigorous broadcast, couched in perfectly pronounced English, over the radio on the eve of election day. Needless to say, these three gentlemen replied to him by the same medium. If their polish was less patent, their earnestness was at least equal to his.

The election returns give the verdict. The point of it all, outside of Boston, is that it was a test of Mr Curley's political strength in Boston. He sought that test, made an issue of it, carried it into every home with a radio; which is every home.

Its application is to the availability of Mr Curley as the Democratic candidate for governor next year, if (or even if not) Mr Ely decides to take another fling at it.

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LOWELL SUN 11/6/31

Mayor Curley lost out in his fight against the election of three members of the school board. The voters evidently refused to accept his dictation as to whom they should elect. The mayor's arguments did not convince them and furthermore, his attacks upon these three members savored too much of bossism.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 11/7/31

A little thing like the election of a few Boston councilmen can have bearing on a governorship contest, as Mayor Curley, whose political foes triumphed, probably has in mind.

CHELSEA RECORD 11/12/31

Curley Opposes Ely

Complications are constantly being added to the compulsory auto legislation situation. Not only does the Legislature seem as far away as ever from reaching a reasonable conclusion, but Mayor Curley has now entered the lists with a big stick opposed to the policies of Governor Ely.

Mayor Curley urges the defeat of the deductible policy bill, so-called, which passed the Senate last week. He charged it is unfair both to the owners of cars and pedestrians. He urges the adoption of a series of six bills filed by former Registrar Frank Goodwin, which are intended to alleviate the present situation.

There is a tendency toward a tentative arrangement to let the 1931 rates go for 1932; but how to bring that about is the problem. The situation yet requires the master mind which is not yet recognized on Beacon Hill.

FITCHBURG SENTINEL 11/13/31

NAVY YARD "SAVED"

Another straw man has been knocked down. With great flourish it is announced that the Boston Navy Yard will not be closed. There had never been an official statement that it would be.

A "leak" from the White House was published to the effect that several navy yards, including Boston's, would be closed and that the frigate Constitution would be decommissioned. The report was denied, but it furnished the politicians a chance to "protest," and curry the favor of voters.

Senators, congressmen, Gov. Ely, Mayor Curley, Legion officials and others had their opportunity to decry wasteful economy. But the Navy Yard was to remain open anyway.

The White House decision does not indicate, however, that the yard is an economical unit. For the present it is retained to avoid hardship on labor. The question of whether it pays the government to keep it open is held in abeyance.

CHELSEA RECORD 11/12/31

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N.B. STANDARD 11/17/31

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Fitzgerald Arrived At City Hall Eight Years Before Curley Made His Entrance

Former Took One Term In Lower Branch and Returned Only To Be Mayor—James Remained Longer and Never Got Very Far Away From Municipal Machinery—John Is Nine Years Older Than James—Quincy Was First Mayor To Provide Quarters For Reporters—Bossy Gillis Might Find Hub Not Quite Hospitable

By Richmond Kelley

Mayor Curley has received more publicity in the past week than almost any mayor of Boston ever had. It came from various sources, and much of it was due to the midnight shows conducted in aid of the unemployment fund. The mayor's fifty-seventh birthday found him as busy as he ever has been since he entered political life, and he has been a mighty busy man since that entry took place. He was elected to the old Boston Common Council in December, 1899, and was a member of the council in 1900. He represented Ward 17 in part, and Ward 17 was then not only a Democratic ward, with a large majority, but it was a fighting Democratic ward. The late John F. Dever, former alderman and afterward clerk of committees at City Hall for many years, was one of the ward leaders, and Curley began his onward and upward career in politics by fighting the entrenched machine, just as Martin Lomasney, in earlier years, had begun his attack in old Ward 8.

John F. Fitzgerald, who preceded James M. Curley by eight years as a member of the Common Council, represented old Ward 6, which was the North End, in 1892, for just one year. He was born on February 11, 1865, and was then about 27 years of age, being nine years older than Curley. He had no desire to remain in City Hall longer than one year. He was then getting the North End fairly well under control. In fact, so well was it under control, and so strong had he become in 1894 in the old Ninth District, that he whipped Hon. Joseph H. O'Neil for the Democratic nomination for Congress, after having served a term in the State Senate.

Mr. Curley in due season went to Congress, but he kept closer to City Hall all the time than Mr. Fitzgerald did, although the latter had his eye on the mayoralty and captured it for a two-year term in 1906 and 1907. He was beaten by the late George A. Hibbard for the following term, and was elected again when the Good Government Association, mortgaged in advance to the late James J. Storrow, refused to indorse Hibbard, backed Storrow and saw its candidate defeated by the man whom Hibbard had beaten two years previously.

For thirty years the history of municipal politics has been the history, in part, of Messrs. Curley and Fitzgerald. At times they have worked together, but for years they were not bosom friends, politically or otherwise. It is true that Mayor Curley backed ex-Mayor Fitzgerald for the Democratic nomination for Governor last year. However, the history of Boston politics since the late 90's would be utterly incomplete without recognition of the fact that John F. Fitzgerald and James M. Curley have been the major figures during that time. The Republicans have had few if any major figures for twenty-five years.

THIS YEAR IF EVER

Without venturing to intimate that Mayor Curley does not know about all there is to know concerning practical politics, it may not be out of place to remark that, if he intends to seek the Democratic nomination for Governor at any time in the near or remote future, he should not delay longer than next year. Then, if ever, he should battle for the nomination, if a battle proves necessary, and thereafter he can battle for election. That, of course, means probably two battles, but if he wins the first he should not worry a great deal about the second.

He had his party's nomination against Governor Fuller when the latter was strongest politically, and although Fuller polled a record-breaking total, Mayor Curley did the same. His total vote was larger than ever before cast for a Democratic candidate for Governor.

Next year, according to almost infallible indications, the Republicans will be in a worse plight than ever in recent political history. They are divided over prohibition and very sharply divided. They have succeeded in camouflaging the issue and themselves for a long time, but that will be impossible next year. They are divided concerning the desirability or good judgment of nominating Lieutenant Governor Youngman for Governor. There seems to be nobody willing to tackle him in the primaries, but there are large numbers of men who call themselves consistent Republicans and who will not hesitate to vote for Mayor Curley, if he has the Democratic nomination, against Youngman.

Mayor Curley, like Al Smith, whose campaign in Massachusetts three years ago, is keeping his political intentions to himself. Perhaps that is the part of wisdom. But it is always in order to give advice in such matters. Sometimes it is useful in reaching a decision.

PORT NEWS. BOSTON 10/1/31

Boston's Energetic Mayor Welcomes Waterways Assoc.



HON. JAMES M. CURLEY

This is Boston's most famous present citizen. "James Michael" to his intimates and the fearless executive to his enemies. The Mayor is vastly interested in upbuilding the port, and wishes he could devote more time to harbor affairs as he envisions a great awakening for the port. He sent Frank S. Davis to the last convention and invited them to come to Boston, for which the port owes a debt of gratitude to both Curley and Davis. Mayor Curley is studying a big program of how more commerce may be secured for New England via the Port of Boston.

10/17/31
HOTEL AND TRAVEL NEWS

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mr. Editor:

The appeal made by President Herbert Hoover to the leaders of industry in America requesting that they refrain from discharging employees or reducing wages has apparently fallen upon deaf ears.

The Public Welfare Department of the City of Boston is receiving requests for aid at the present time greater than during any month of last winter and an examination of these cases discloses the fact that the requests for aid are largely from persons who never previously found it necessary to seek aid from anyone. They represent that class of the citizenship who have reached the end of their resources and are forced through circumstances to embark upon a policy, both distasteful and humiliating to them and exceedingly expensive to the municipality.

I am forwarding a letter to every organization in Boston similar to the one that I am sending you, religious, social, civic and otherwise, requesting that they induce their members to provide work for the unemployed in the particular section where the organization is located.

If every religious, social and civic organization will make necessary repairs to the premises which they occupy and the members wherever possible, will have necessary repairs made to their homes it is possible to effect a saving upon the cost of materials at the present time of at least 30%, over the price paid in normal times. Doing this work now will not only be a saving, but in addition will provide opportunities for work even for a limited time to large numbers of persons in reduced circumstances seeking, with but limited hope, opportunities for a livelihood in Boston.

Trusting that you will direct the attention of the members of your hotel organization to this communication, I beg to remain

Respectfully,
James M. Curley, Mayor.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 12/7/31

STRIKE SETTLEMENT IN BOSTON SEEN

BOSTON, Oct. 16 (AP).—Mayor James M. Curley today announced that Joseph Ryan, president of the international Longshoremen's Association, had notified him he had reinstated the Boston local the charter of which he had previously suspended. On the basis of this, Curley said he expected a settlement of the

Ill. State Federation of Labor
Weekly News Letter Sept. 26. 1931

PREVENT STARVATION

The five-day week as a cure for unemployment was urged by Mayor James Curley in an address of welcome to the annual convention of the International Typographical Union at Boston, recently.

Curley urged delegates to help "stop America from wandering around in circles as it has been doing for the last two years. Faith is all right, but it will never keep a man from starving to death. The sooner that some of the preachers of 'have faith in America' put the five-day week into effect the sooner starving men will be able to earn a day's pay."

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 11/8/31

Second Message from City

The matters covered in the governor's message undoubtedly seem to him to be of importance. However, there are other matters which would seem of equal importance, to members of the Legislature; and in a legislative session the opinion of its own members has some claim to consideration. In other words, the fear here on the Hill is that the governor has opened the way for a general session if the members are disposed to see it that way. If the session is to depart from the restrictions supposedly applying to its actions, who shall say how far or how little it shall depart, and into what avenues of legislation it shall venture?

Whenever this or any Legislature is in session there is plenty of work for it to do, some important and some not. The distinctive feature of this session is that it was brought into being to meet a special emergency. The moment it goes off the track it might as well go anywhere, and we should then have not a special session but an additional session for general business, which is not in the scheme of ordinary procedure. There are many who think our Legislature sits too much, as it is; a few years ago there was an effort to do away with annual legislative sessions, and substitute for them biennial sessions. The effort failed, but there are still many who believe in it. If this special insurance session now becomes converted into a session for miscellaneous purposes, important or otherwise, we expect to see the movement to hold only biennial sessions urged again at the next election. We hear already that this is under consideration among some eminent Republicans.

Boston's city election is now in the past, and though there lingers the debate on whether Mayor Curley strengthened or weakened himself, there seems no satisfactory conclusion. This is of Beacon Hill importance only insofar as it affects, if it affects at all, the mayor's chances for the governorship, to which many believe he aspires—and to which he may with entire propriety aspire, of course. The mayor's candidates for the Boston school committee won, but the three councilmen against whom the mayor launched a vigorous attack over the radio on election eve, also won—and won so handily that already a mayoralty boom has been started for one of them, Mr. Norton.

One other item: On Monday a group of business men will meet at the Boston Chamber of Commerce to talk over the possibility of getting the 1932 Democratic convention to come to Boston. Boston has just as good an argument as San Francisco, and probably better in view of the electoral vote of this state lately. Our latest information from national Democratic circles is that San Francisco is much favored.

P. S.: The Youngman chances continue apparently untarnished. A fortnight ago he was one lap ahead. Now he leads by a burlap.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 11/8/31

If you have any doubt that Mayor Curley knows how to "do a job" on his opponents reflect on his election eve speech against one of the candidates for the Boston City Council. Describing the jobs and salaries of the candidates, he concluded, "and he received $21 a month from the federal government for flat feet that were flat before he went to war." But the councilman won.

HARTFORD COURANT 11/8/31

Massachusetts

There are many in Connecticut who, like ourselves, strive to spend a part of their annual vacation in Massachusetts,—"there she stands, behold her," as we do when opportunity offers. While New York may bore a man from Connecticut, he is likely to be fascinated by Boston. It is a delightful city in which to roam about, and if one is unable to find his way back to his hotel, he will, without much trouble, find a native who speaks English and who will enlighten him. Moreover, one finds pleasure in conversing with citizens of Massachusetts, because they speak as Omniscience; to suggest otherwise would be as futile as to attempt to alter the ebb and flow of the tides.

As most of us know, Massachusetts numbers among its population many adherents to the most orthodox of creeds and many who follow the most unorthodox of faiths. In fact, we may say that Massachusetts specializes in creeds, and the man who cannot find one to fit him in the Bay State must be difficult to suit. This, by the way, is one of the features which endears Massachusetts to us, but just now we have a feeling that the old State should endeavor to increase its constabulary, even though the act may cause it to pay less attention to its theology for a time.

The press of Massachusetts informs us that on Monday Mayor Curley wound up a campaign by broadcasting an address and that he entered the studio armed and guarded. While there, he characterized three candidates as having "so conducted themselves that it is almost unbelievable that thinking members of the electorate will vote for them." He said further that they were guilty of the lowest possible character of ingratitude to the dead of the World War, and indifference to the poor nd the unemployed. Those, it strikes us are harsh words.

And on the same day and in Boston two men were arrested on the charge that they had conspired to hold up an armored truck standing by the Harvard Trust Company's building on Harvard Square. The locality seems strangely unfitted for a crime of the sort, if one was contemplated, and wholly out of keeping with the surroundings.

Finally, we note something out of the ordinary reported from Gloucester. Someone entered a vault in Magnolia Cemetery, took therefrom a skull, placed a lighted candle in it and set it on a fence post, not on Hallowe'en, but early in the morning of November 2. As we said at the outset we have great admiration for Massachusetts, but is it not possible that she needs more constables?

FRANKLIN SENTINEL 11/5/31

CURLEY TO SPEAK

Wonewok Tribe of Red Men have scored a ten-strike in getting the Hon. James M. Curley, Mayor of Boston, to speak at the council fire next Monday evening. The Great Sachem of Massachusetts, Frederick E. Hawley, will also be a guest.

The public is cordially invited to attend and no doubt the hall will be filled to overflowing. The doors will be open at 8:30 P. M.

NEW BEDFORD MERCURY 11/9/31

MARK SULLIVAN ROBBED ON HIS BOSTON VISIT

Informs Curley and His Humor Elicits Similar Response

BOSTON, Nov. 8.—Mark Sullivan, the well-known Washington author and newspaper correspondent, was relieved of his pocketbook while on a visit to Boston and Cambridge on Oct. 19, and in a humorous letter to Mayor Curley he wrote:

"If any of your able and gentlemanly police, or any of your other official agencies having to do with property involuntarily separated from its ownership, should happen to run across a thin and ancient wallet, I would be grateful if you would inform them that I was parted from such a wallet while in Boston and Cambridge on Monday, Oct. 19.

"The parting occurred somewhere between the Copley-Plaza Hotel and Harvard square. The wallet might have been lost. Consciousness, however, of my very strong personal indisposition to enter into any voluntary separation from money, leads me to entertain, with extreme hesitancy and regret, at least as a hypothesis, the possibility that I may have been a beneficiary of the attentions of some Bostonian whose arts of acquisition have been developed out of proportion to his moral scruples. I repeat, this is only a surmise. If I had been asked the question in an academic spirit, preceding this personal experience, I should have asserted that there is not in Boston any person who would willingly become the possessor of money not accruing to him through the strictly conventional operations of labor, trade, contract or inheritance.

"If there is—which I hesitate to believe—any pickpocket in your city, and if it was such a one who did the deed, I should take some patriotic consolation from the fact that the only person who ever before separated me from money through exercise of this kind of talent was an Englishman in London in the year 1918. If the American industry is achieving increasing efficiency, I shall try to be duly grateful.

"The wallet contained a slight amount of money, some small documents of no value to anybody but me, and a railroad ticket from Boston to Washington. I assume that nobody having his permanent abode in Boston would have any use for a railroad ticket to any point outside that city. Hence I entertain the hope that the present possessor of the wallet might be favorably disposed to return the ticket and the other documents, or at least the documents."

Mayor Curley replied as follows:

"I have directed the attention of the police department to the loss of your wallet upon the occasion of your recent visit to our fair city. I am quite certain that you must have lost it in Cambridge, since every person who would be likely to separate an individual from a possession of that character is now sojourning at the municipal jail.

"I note that you lay stress on the fact that it was a thin and ancient wallet and I assume the wallet was purchased during a time that America was blessed with the presence of a Democratic president and the anemia is a consequence of Republican administration. I assure you it was a great surprise to find that you carried a sum of money in the wallet, in addition to your ticket from Boston, to Washington, and am at a loss to understand why there were no lists of commissions to raise funds for the unemployed among the other articles in the wallet.

"You further state in your communication that the wallet disappeared in Boston or Cambridge. I can well appreciate such loss occurring in Cambridge since it is the seat of learning where higher education is encouraged, and in the event that it did disappear in Cambridge I fear there is very little likelihood of its recovery, since the student body of the universities located there are recruited from every portion of the United States, including the national capital.

"The real mystery of the disappearance of your wallet to me is how anyone could be guilty of such an act, who knew where you hailed from, Washington, since everyone with ordinary intelligence is familiar with the fact that they have ceased calling the seat of government the White House and now only know it as the poorhouse.

"Trusting that you have lost the wallet in Boston since if such is the case I am certain it will be returned to you, I beg to remain, with every good wish,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) JAMES M. CURLEY,
Mayor.

BOSTON TIMES 11/9/31

CURLEY WILL BE IN TALKIE

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HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 11/9/31

Elections come and elections go but of Boston political campaigns there is no end. The bitterness injected in the recent "off-year" election by Mayor Curley's attack on certain councilmen, who, by the way, were all re-elected, is carried right over into next year's September primaries by the announcement that Councilman John F. Dowd will be a candidate for the job of Sheriff of Suffolk County, a post now held by John A. Kelliher. Sheriff Kelliher is certain to be a candidate. So is Senator Michael F. Ward. Now Senator Ward is second in command of the Curley political machine. Sheriff Keliher is the bosom friend of Martin M. Lomasney. And Councilman Dowd is his own best friend and in a district where he and Senator Ward both live, has licked the Mayor's first lieutenant on every occasion where they have clashed, which means every recent election.

WORCESTER POST 11/9/31

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BOSTON POST 11/10/31

BENEFIT SHOWS IN 66 THEATRES

Picture Industries' Unemployment Aid Plans

Never in the history of the motion picture industry has there been such whole-hearted and concerted response to an appeal as there has been for the midnight benefit shows to be on the programme of 66 Boston theatres on Friday evening, Nov. 20.

The committee is particularly pleased with the results thus far of the advance sale of tickets. Large blocks of tickets have already been disposed of, and volunteers from women's clubs, fraternal organizations, church societies, business executives, political organizations and other citizen groups have already responded to the appeal of the film industry to make this nation-wide benefit one of the most successful ever held.

Every cent raised goes to Mayor Curley's fund for the unemployed, and every service is volunteered.

Regular current programmes will be repeated at midnight on Friday, Nov. 20, and the same admission prices will prevail as at regular evening performances. J. J. McGuinness at 60 Scollay square will furnish information to additional volunteers.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 11/10/31

Gov Ely Decides to Send Message After Senate Kills Auto Insurance Measures

Will Transmit it to Legislature Today—Deductible Bill Slaughtered 30 to 6—State Rating Bureau Defeated 19 to 18 But Attempt at Reconsideration to Be Made—Flat Rate For State Beaten—Move For Goodwin's Bills in Prospect

From Our Special Reporter

Boston, Nov. 9—After the Senate steam-roller had been shoved into reverse this afternoon and flattened insurance bill after insurance bill, Gov Joseph B. Ely made a decision, which is that he will send another special message to the Legislature tomorrow. What it will contain is mere conjecture: He probably will reurge the deductible bill, and he may again stress the need of doing something along previously-recommended lines, to provide lower insurance rates for 1932. As things stand now, it does not appear that the special session of the Legislature, which the governor called, is going to accomplish anything that will bring rate relief.

Only One Important Bill Remains

When the Senate steam-roller had made its final trip this afternoon, five matters had felt its flattening effect and only one important bill remained, that the elimination of guest claims in insurance coverage. A sop to the high-rate districts still continued to avoid the machine, this one that traffic congestion in districts be considered by the insurance commissioner in fixing rates therefor. Also a loophole was left for future proposals by postponement of the committees' report of "no legislation necessary" on the residue of the governor's mssage. This will permit offering new proposals as substitutes for this report at any future time.

House Marks Time

The House merely marked time, waiting upon the Senate, but it waited almost in vain, so well did the Senate clean house. The Senate will meet again at 2 tomorrow afternoon, while the House is booked to meet at 1 p. m., and again on Thursday at 11 a. m.

Th Senate rejected the bill to insure operators rather than car-owners. This was on voice vote. It rejected the notice of claims bill, requiring that any prospective claimant give notice of intent to seek damages, within 30 days of the accident that caused the injuries, on roll call vote of 14 to 25.

Deductible Bill Beaten 30 to 6

Then it cut down the so-called Parkman deductible bill, by roll call vote of 6 to 30, and followed this by smashing the rating and control bureau bill on roll call, 18 to 19. Senator James J. Twohig of South Boston gave notive he would move reconsideration of this vote, at tomorrow's session.

Finally, the Senate rejected the bill calling for a flat rate of insurance throughout the state, with a demerit system attached, by roll call vote of 8 to 30, and adverse report on this bill was accepted.

Passed to be engrossed was the action on the traffic congestion bill, while the bill to eliminate guest claims was advanced to a third reading.

The House gave first and second readings to the notice of default bill, providing companies shall be notified of court actions before they are defaulted. It gave the traffic congestion bill first reading and postponed until tomorrow action on the adverse report on the bill to have the Legislature promulgate 1931 rates for 1932, Representative Augustine Airola giving notice he would to amend this report tomorrow.

To Move for State Fund Bill

Representative C. F. Nelson Pratt of Saugus secured postponement until tomorrow of action on the adverse report on the financial responsibility bill, and then gave notice he would move to amend the report tomorrow by a motion to substitute therefor a bill providing for a publicly-managed and controled insurance company to compete with other insurance companies in this state. This is the bill Frank A. Goodwin, former motor vehicles registrar, has pushed in the past.

There is still a chance in the House that Goodwin's alternative rates proposal will be offered as a substitute or amendment. It would provide for two rates on insurance, both to be promulgated by the insurance commissioner, one to include acquisition costs, and the other to exclude them and make the motorist buy his insurance direct from the company. This idea seems to have little chance of favorable action as members feel it would drive insurance agents out of business and add to the unemployment situation.

Curley Wires Legislators

Mayor James Michael Curley of Boston stuck his oar into the insurance puddle today and made it even more murky than it was, because a telegram he sent to the legislators aroused some of them on the ground that they resented his intereference in their affairs. The telegram read:—

"Any deductible policy bill unfair to both small car-owner and to pedestrians; it should be defeated. The Mahoney bill gives a choice of two evils—the poor car-owner unable to pay $100 is driven from the road, the injured person can't get $100 due him without bearing expense of trial and long wait. Recommend adoption of city solicitors' bills such as eliminating guest liability, 30 days' notice by claimant before recovery, rating and accident investigation bureau to fix rates and investigate frauds, bill to consider congestion as factor, bill to promulgate 1931 rates for 1932, investigation of all accidents by inspectors or registrar to be made public."

The Senate played to full galleries this afternoon. The first act was to order to third reading the traffic congestion bill, without debate. Then the guest elimination bill was given like action. On voice vote and without debate, the bill to insure operators rather than owners was rejected. Postponement was granted on action on the "no legislation necessary" report on the residue of the governor's message.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 11/10/31

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WORCESTER GAZETTE 11/10/31

CURLEY SENDS SHILALAH TO MARLBORO REPORTER

Sepcial Dispatch to The Gazette

MARLBORO, Nov. 10. — Lawrence J. Thyne of Central street, veteran reporter of the Worcester Telegram in this city, today received a blackthorn shilalah from James M. Curley, mayor of Boston. It was inscribed: "Presented to Lawrence J. Thyne from the City of Boston, James M. Curley."

Mr. Thyne is reputed to be the oldest newspaper man in New England, having been in active service 56 years last July. He has been connected with the Telegram for 25 years.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 11/11/31

FUEL PRICE PROBE ASKED BY CURLEY

Charges 'Understanding' In Request to State Commissioner

BOSTON, Nov. 10 (AP)—Mayor James M. Curley today asked Ralph W. Robert, state commissioner of necessaries of life, to investigate the present cost of fuel and, if necessary, invoke the aid of the attorney general "with a view to securing more reasonable prices for this essential."

Mayor Curley pointed out that there had been a reduction of 30 per cent in the cost of building materials, and of more than 50 per cent in the cost of certain food products but no reduction in the price of coal.

"The fact that the price per ton is uniform," he said, "would lend color to the belief that an understanding exists

WOONSOCKET CALL 11/10/31

Mayor Curley Is Warmly Greeted

Gives Fine Address At Open Meeting Of Wonewok Tribe

(Special to The Woonsocket Call)

Franklin, Mass., Nov. 10—Arriving at 10:30, just as the audience of 400 that had patiently awaited his coming was about to disperse, Hon. James M. Curley, distinguished guest speaker at an open meeting of Wonewok Tribe of Red Men in Odd Fellows' hall last night, eloquently sounded the keynote of confidence in a near return to prosperity as he gave a resume of the present depression, unemployment, and suffering and the many remedies that were being advanced to bring about a better state of things. The mayor was introduced by Sachem John Peck of Wonewok Tribe and he was given a great reception. The first thing he said was to utter words of apology for his late coming, but at the conclusion of his address all felt well repaid for having remained to hear him.

America, he said, entered the World War that there might be no more wars, and speaking of the laudable efforts that had been and were still being made for world peace, he said he was wondering now if this country would be drawn into the present trouble in the East. Saying that the present depression came to the world as the aftermath of the war, the mayor spoke of the many methods being advanced for relief. He believed individuals and organizations, taking hold and becoming active, could do much to aid in relieving unemployment, distress and suffering, and referring to the fact that Boston is laying out many thousands of dollars in welfare work, he said he would sooner have it spend millions than have one person suffer from cold and hunger.

Machinery had thrown thousands of men out of employment, he said, while thousands of women were taking the places of men in all branches of industry throughout the country, with the result in some cases that the men, unable to obtain other employment, were staying home to take care of the children and do housework while their wives were out at work. One method of relief that he had taken up with the President of the United States, he said, as a means of restoring prosperity, and one that he had faith in as a material aid, was the selling of some of our stored-up wheat to starving China, but his proposition was not favored, as he was told the Chinese ate rice and did not eat bread. However, he was informed by prominent Chinese government officials that a great section of China did not eat rice, but would be glad to eat bread.

In his final analysis the mayor was optimistic of a turn for the better soon, and he quoted from a clipping from Harper's Weekly printed in 1857, when the people of that panic period had practically given up hope of prosperity ever returning. Noting that the celebration of the bi-centennial of Washington was not far distant, he closed with an eloquent plea that all might have the vision and courage of George Washington in an effort to have prosperity restored.

At the conclusion of the mayor's address the large audience, which comprised people in all walks of life, with a good representation of women, all rose and gave him very heary applause. Just before he left the platform Mr. Peck, on behalf of the industrial committee of the Franklin Business Association, presented him a copy of the association's pamphlet, "Franklin and Its Advantages." When the mayor drove away the police department afforded motorcycle escort to the Wrentham line.

When Wonewok Tribe concluded its council fire at 8:45 the doors of Odd Fellows' hall were thrown open to the public, and soon the hall was filled. Then began the wait for Mayor Curley. Sachem Peck announced that he had assurance that Mayor Curley, then overdue, would surely be on hand. He then introduced Fred E. Hawley, great sachem of Massachusetts, and a most entertaining speaker, who spoke of Mayor Curley in glowing terms and then gave a brief history of the Order of Red Men, its aims and objects and its standing as an American organization for the benefit of mankind.

There was still no Mayor Curley on the scene when the great sachem concluded his address, and then Sachem Peck announced there would be an indoor baseball game between the Wonewok team and the Mansfield tribe's team, to be abandoned should the mayor appear. However the game went through the nine innings, Wonewok maintaining its reputation by winning, 13 to 2. The game over, the large audience arose and started for home, giving up hope of the mayor coming, and some had reached the street, when the mayor's automobile came in sight. The crowd turned back to the hall and by the time the speaker had been introduced by Sachem Peck the hall was again filled. That all were glad they turned back was evidenced by the rapt attention they gave the eloquent mayor throughout his fine address.

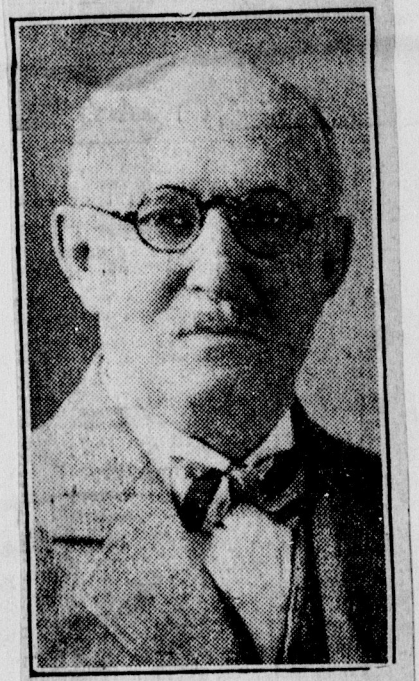
LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 11/11/31

SHILALAH PRESENTED MARLBORO REPORTER

Mayor Curley Sends Gift to Lawrence J. Thyne, Formerly of Lowell.

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MARLBORO, Nov. 10. (AP).—Lawrence J. Thyne, veteran reporter of the Worcester Telegram in this city, today received a blackthorn Shilalah from James M. Curley, mayor of



LAWRENCE J. THYNE

Boston. It was inscribed: "Presented to Lawrence J. Thyne, from the City of Boston, James M. Curley."

Mr. Thyne is believed to be the senior newspaperman in New England, having been in active service 56 years last July. He has been connected with the Telegram since Feb. 22, 1929.

TRANSCRIPT HOLYOKE 11/11/31

Curley's Name Is Left Off Slate Of "Big Four"

Boston Mayor Isn't Included in Group Favored By Chairman Donahue of the Democratic State Committee to Go to National Convention.

BOSTON, Nov. 11—Chairman Frank J. Donahue of the Democratic State committee favors an unpledged slate from Massachusetts to the national convention headed by Senator David I. Walsh. The slate does not include the name of Mayor Curley who has announced himself as a supporter to the finish of Governor Roosevelt of New York for the Democratic nomination for president.

Besides the senior Senator, the other members of the proposed at-large slate, with a half vote each are:

Senator Marcus A. Coolidge.
Governor Joseph B. Ely.
Frank J. Donahue.
John F. Fitzgerald.
District Attorney William J. Foley.
Dr. Helen I. Doherty McGillicuddy.
Mrs. Francis B. Sayre.

The main purpose of this slate is to put the Massachusetts delegation in a position, if the occasion arises, to forward either Senator Walsh or Governor Ely for the nomination for Vice-President. Otherwise it is maintained by Chairman Donahue that the State delegation will be free to act on its best judgment as to the candidate to be supported for the Democratic nomination for President.

The chairman is of the opinion that either Walsh or Ely would stand an excellent chance of the nomination for Vice-President with the selection of former Secretary of War Newton D. Baker of Ohio as the candidate for President. Baker has been invited to a breakfast tendered by the Democratic State Committee when he visits Boston to make a speech at the Cty club next week.

It is asserted that the slate as advanced by Donahue is by no means to be construed as a counter move to the Roosevelt movement led by Mayor Curley. On the contrary, the delegates would be free to vote for the New York Governor or any other candidate in the convention as the best interests of the Massachusetts Democracy might indicate, keeping in mind the possibility of nominating either Walsh or Ely for Vice-President.

In the orginal slate as made up by Chairman Donahue and discussed at various informal conferences of the Democratic leaders the name of Mayor Curley was included in the "big four." When the Mayor came out for Governor Roosevelt, however, and announced that he would support the New York Governor to a finish, the name of District Attorney Foley was substituted.

Already material in the congressional districts is being looked over for other members of the unpledged slate.

If the slate as framed were to go on the ballot it would force Mayor Curley to organize a separate "pledged to Roosevelt" slate. This would require, under the Massachusetts law, the written assent of the New York Governor. Whether Roosevelt would agree to go into a knockdown and drag out fight which would be certain to result, is purely a matter of speculation at this time. Up to this time Mayor Curley is the only outstanding Democratic leader who has openly declared for Roosevelt.

Both Senator Walsh and Governor Ely have only gone so far as to state that they would favor the nomination of ex-Governor Smith were he again to be a candidate. They have shown no lack of friendliness for Governor Roosevelt, however, as second choice.

Quite obviously the slate advanced by Donahue would put Massachusetts in an excellent position to trade. There are underlying factors involved in the situation, however, other than the political fortunes of Governor Roosevelt.

On the other hand, neither the Governor nor the senior Senator has any idea on the showdown that ex-Governor Smith will be a candidate for renomination. Waiting on "Al" at this time, therefore, offers a very fine and convenient neutral zone.

Neither the Governor nor Senator Walsh had any comment to make last night on the slate proposed by Chairman Donahue.

No doubt the anti-Curley wing of the Democracy resents his taking charge of the Roosevelt movement in the first place and in the second place there is the shadow of the coming fight for the Democratic nomination for Governor.

Curley has stated that he will be a candidate against Ely and there is no doubt but that the Governor will run again, although, up to this time, he has refused to make any public announcement to this effect. Again there has been no truce in the bitter row between Mayor Curley and Chairman Donahue.

Obviously the success of a slate such as that advanced by Chairman Donahue would "clip the wings" of Mayor Curley, a result which would not be displeasing to either Walsh or Ely. In a contest between Ely and Curley for the Democratic nomination for Governor both Senator Walsh and Chairman Donahue would unquestionably by found on the side of the Governor.

A meeting of the State committee is to be called within the next two weeks for the purpose of choosing a successor to former Mayor Quinn of Cambridge as a member of the national committee. The indications point to the selection of Chairman Donahue to fill the vacancy up to the time of the convention. No open opposition has as yet appeared from Mayor Curley.

There is no way at this time of measuring the strength of the various candidates mentioned for the Democratic nomination for President. A certain cooling off process towards Roosevelt is in evidence since the Mayor assumed the leadership of the movement for the New York Governor.

That Governor Ritchie of Maryland has many strong and enthusiastic supporters was made clear in the enthusiastic reception given him last week. A big dinner to which a number of prominent Republicans, business men and educators were to be invited, had been planned for former Secretary of War Baker, but on account of other engagements he will be unable to remain in the city another day. While this dinner was to be under the auspices of the Democratic State committee, it was to have been a more or less non-partisan affair.

No doubt there is a good deal of sentiment in the State among the Democrats for Baker, particularly among the old Wilson group.

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Chairman Donahue leans favorably towards Baker as does Mrs. Sayre as member of the prospective slate. Senator Coolidge has evidenced no choice as yet, although he has been friendly towards Roosevelt. Neither has ex-Mayor Fitzgerald taken any active stand for a candidate.

No doubt exists but that the position taken by ex-Governor Smith, when the time comes, will exert a strong influence on the Massachusetts Democracy. Mayor Curley is the only one of the leaders who has announced openly that he does not believe that Smith should run again, so his attitude is perfectly clear on this point.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 11/11/31

SAYS BUSINESS NEED NOT FEAR CONGRESS

BOSTON, Nov. 11 (INS)—Although the coming Congress is going to be confronted with many perplexing problems, the country need have no fear—so far as the strong Democratic faction is concerned—of any acts by Congress that will be harmful to business.

Sen. Pat Harrison, Democrat, of Mississippi, made that statement on arriving here today for the Armistice Day celebration as the guest of Mayor James M. Curley.

"Naturally, there will be differences as to details of legislation, but even though the Democrats are in control of the House and on the border control of the Senate, we appreciate the high responsibilities placed upon us and in a non-partisan way gladly will accept any rational suggestions from the President, or any other Republican soure, that might help present business conditions and promote the general welfare," declared Senator Harrison.

"Congress," he continued, "is going to be confronted with many perplexing problems.

"The country need have no fear of any acts by Congress that will be harmful to business."

SPRINGFIELD UNION 11/13/31

Would Arbitrate Hub Dock Strike

Attorney for Longshoremen Makes Proposal to Ship Owners.

BOSTON, Nov. 12—(AP) Atty. Thomas A. Mahoney, legal representative of the Boston district council of the International Longshoremen's Association, today proposed to steamship officials that an arbitrative committee to be formed to attempt settlement of the Boston dock strike.

More than 1000 longshoremen walked out five weeks ago after a disagreement with steamship officials concerning sling loads and meal hours.

Mahoney proposed two methods of forming the arbitrative body. One would constitute of one member from the steamship operators committee and one from the longshoremen's committee with the chairman appointed by Gov. Joseph B. Ely. The other would have two additional members, one appointed by Mayor James M. Curley and the other by Police Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 11/10/31

Mayor Curley "Vamps" Quincy.

THE mayor of Boston made goo-goo eyes at Quincy when, as guest of the Chamber of Commerce, he cited advantages likely to accrue to Quincy as an integral part of a "Greater Boston" more closely knit than the recent census grouping in which Brockton and Quincy, among many cities and towns, were included in "Metropolitan Boston."

Quincy was singularly indifferent. The Patriot-Ledger, commenting on the visit and the speech, said: "What Mayor Curley's fine talk always gets down to, and what it got down to here in Quincy, is that if all the independent municipalities were linked as he would have them linked, the master's voice from Boston would direct the levying of taxes in all the outlying cities and towns, and the money spent, eventually, through the agency of Boston City Hall. That is the nub of the plan, though it is never the phase on which Mayor Curley dwells long in his public speeches."

Quincy and other suburban cities are likely to get as much from their tax money if they spend it themselves, Quincy believes. This opinion appears to be general, firmly grounded in Brockton, Newton, Lynn and other cities as in Quincy. Affection is felt for Boston by all of them and they would rejoice to see Boston grow in population, prestige and volume of business transacted, but none is willing to die for dear old Boston, whether it has a democratic or republican administration.

ATTLEBORO SUN 11/4/31 WOBURN TIMES 11/12/31

CURLEY IN URGE OF MORE DEFENSE

Boston, Nov. 11—(AP)—Addressing an Armistice day gathering composed mostly of former service men, Mayor James M. Curley today urged preparedness as a preventative of war.

"I wonder," said the mayor, "if it isn't time to realize that peace of the world lies in adequate defense rather than in national cowardice, masquerading under the name of economy. With the prospect of one of the greatest wars now brewing, with China, Japan and Russia as principals, a movement is under way to decrease the army, disband the marine corps and close the oldest navy yard in the United States".

Mayor Curley paid tribute to General Pershing, saying that if it had not been for the American commander the country's casualties in the World war would have been 700,000 instead of 70,000. He decried what he described as a tendency to forget the sacrifices of the soldiers in the war, much of which he attributed to unpreparedness.

WINCHESTER MAN MANAGER 33 YEARS

Al Somerby, genial manager of the Old Howard and Bowdoin Square Theatres is today carrying one of the famous shillalahs presented to him by Mayor Curley, in recognition of Somerby's rounding out his 33rd year as manager of the two famous theatres.

In addition, Mayor Curley also sent to Somerby a letter of congratulation and the wish that Somerby would serve 33 more years in the same position.

Somerby has made a host of friends in Greater Boston. He has been a prominent Elk and is a member of several other organizations. His desk today was covered with flowers telegrams and letters congratulating him upon his anniversary.

Mr. Somerby is a Winchester Elk and has many friends in Winchester where he makes his home on Everett Road.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 11/12/31

Harrison Sees Victory For Democrats In 1932 Campaign

Senator Guest at Curley Luncheon; Mayor Raps Favorite Son Idea and Declares For Gov Roosevelt

Boston, Nov. 12—Mayor Curley entertained Senator Pat Harrison at luncheon at the Hotel Ritz-Carlton yesterday. About 80 persons were in the company.

Both Mayor Curley and Senator Harrison talked politics and predicted a Democratic victory in the national election next year. The mayor also took advantage of the opportunity to declare again his allegiance to Franklin D. Roosevelt, describing him as "a great liberal who has carried the Empire state by a majority almost equal to the total number of Republican voters in Massachusetts."

The mayor also paid some attention to the report that his opponents in the Democratic party in this state intend to carry on a campaign for an unpledged delegation to the coming national convention of the party.

Raps Favorite Son Plan

He said the scheme to present to the convention the name of a "favorite son" was designed to prevent the nomination of Gov Roosevelt, and predicted that long before the convention is held "the favorite sons will be back in their favorite places," and that there will be only one serious candidate for the presidential nomination.

"The people are not going to let the desires of certain individuals to attain a fleeting prominence stand in the way of the nomination of the great governor of New York," the mayor said.

After dwelling on his friendship for Senator Harrison, which originated in 1911, when both began service in Congress, Mayor Curley introduced the distinguished visitor as "the most eloquent son of the South, who has represented that part of the country in the Senate within the past quarter of a century."

Senator Harrison was sometimes amusing and at other times serious in his remarks. He mentioned many Massachusetts Democrats who served with him in Congress and showed a surprising familiarity with political men and conditions in this state.

Predicts Democratic Victory

Speaking of the campaign of 1932, he said: "The whole country is on fire for a change in the administration at Washington. I have not the slightest doubt that unless the Democrats quarrel among themselves they will sweep the country next year. We shall control and organize the House of Representatives and practically control the Senate, although we may not organize the latter branch.

"We are going to lay down a rational policy and take the responsibility of seeing that it is carried out."

At the conclusion of Senator Harrison's address, Mayor Curley represented Count von Luckner, who spoke briefly, narrating an incident or two in his career as a raider on the high seas.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 11/13/31

James Michael Facetious On Hand Picked Delegates

Says "A Blossom Planted in the Fall Rarely Survives Until Spring."

"A blossom planted in the fall rarely survives until spring."

This was Mayor Curley's answer last night to the reports that Chairman Frank J. Donahue of the Democratic state committee will attempt to deny the mayor a place on the slate of unpledged delegates-at-large to the party's national convention next year.

The mayor's facetious comment on Donahue's slate-making endeavor was in direct contrast to the roar of disapproval raised by a number of war veterans in the party because of his failure to name a farmer soldier in his proposed group.

The group reported to be favored by Donahue consists of Senators Walsh and Coolidge, Gov. Ely, Donahue, John F. Fitzgerald, Dist.-Atty. Foley, Mrs. Helen I. M. Doherty and Mrs. Francis B. Sayre.

Most explosive of the servicemen was Representative William H. Doyle of Malden, the one who led the fight to break the slate in 1924 when Gen. Charles H. Cole was deprived of a place on the machine selections.

"We'll stage the 1924 fight all over again. That time we succeeded in running Gen. Cole second to Senator Walsh and one would naturally think that it would be memorable lesson to the politicians. We'll present a counter slate and it will have the names of at least two servicemen as well as representation of the young Democracy about which we heard so much in the last election."

The Governor received a number of telegrams yesterday expressing opposition to the make-up of Donahue's proposed slate which apparently did not have his official approval.

Donahue, Gov. Ely and Senator Walsh agree that the Massachusetts delegates should go unpledged, while the mayor, as Massachusetts leader of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt's campaign for the party's presidential nomination will fight vigorously to have the delegates pledged to the New York Governor.

Declaring that the mayor's support of Roosevelt bars him from an "unpledged slate" the framers of the latter are discussing possibilities from a list which includes about every prominent Democrat in the state except the mayor.

The list even includes some well-known opponents of the mayor.

Mayor Curley said last night, however, that he declines to take the moves of the unpledged leaders seriously at this time. He is prepared to take his case for Roosevelt to the Democratic voters at the presidential primary in the spring but doubts that this will be necessary as in his opinion the Massachusetts delegation will be almost unanimous for his candidate:

The delegates are not to be elected until next April. A blossom planted in the fall rarely survives until Spring. I have no apprehension as to the final outcome. The people of America, more particularly the people of Massachusetts, are seeking a chance and they won't be deceived by any thimble rigging. When the time comes the people will demand the liberal and progressive policies for which Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt stands.

QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 11/13/31

FINE PROGRAM MARKS SCOUT WEEK CONCERT

Mayor Curley Unable to Attend But Other Features Please

Several hundred citizens who bought tickets from Boy Scouts for the Welfare week concert were richly repaid last night when they enjoyed a program of vocal and instrumental music rendered at the Quincy High school auditorium by the Taleb Grotto band, the Wollaston Glee club triple quartet and Walter Smith and his two talented sons. Receipts taken in last night, added to funds raised at other events of the week's program, will go toward relieving want in the homes of Quincy unemployed.

Major Charles Harding, election commissioner of Boston, represented Mayor James M. Curley, who was unable to be present because of a death to one of his relatives. Introduced by Edward G. Morris, Major Harding congratulated Quincy Boy Scouts on the manner in which they have successfully carried on their welfare work program.

Mr. Morris read a letter from Charles E. Goodspeed, president of the Family Welfare society of Quincy, to Delcevare King, president of the Quincy Scout council, expressing the thanks of the society to the Scouts for their efforts.

The program began with four selections by Taleb Grotto band, "National Spirit," "Il Guarany," "Mlle. Modiste," and "Slavonic Rhapsody."

Mr. Smith's trumpet solo "The Volunteer," was heartily applauded, and followed by an encore. The triple quartet sang four selections, "Soldiers' Chorus," "Autumn Sea," "On the Sea," and "Duna."

Mr. Smith and his sons, Walter M. Smith, Jr., and Stewart Smith, played a trumpet solo, "Three Kings."

The triple quartet included Clarence Cassidy, John Maxwell, Ralph C. Strout, Theodore Smith, and Graton Howland, tenors; Harry L. Harrington Roy Cassidy and Henry W. Furlong, baritones; and Percy Hutchinson, William E. Bullock, and F. E. Whorton, bassos.

Girl Scouts further added to the welfare fund last night by selling cookies during the intermissions.

NEWBURYPORT NEWS 11/13/31

Mayor Curley and Governor Ely are reported to be a little suspicious of one another. Democrats do pretty well when you consider how prone to internal divisions they are.

11/12/31 QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER

CURLEY TALKS BEFORE SCOUTS HERE TONIGHT

Welfare Week Concert To Be Held at Senior High School

A concert for the benefit of the Boy Scout Welfare Week will be given tonight in the Senior High school hall featuring well known concert artists and an address by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston. The program is one of the several features carried out this week for the welfare campaign.

Walter Smith of Merrymount, nationally known trumpeter, will play several selections and as a special feature, will play with his two sons, Stuart and Walter Smith Jr. The band of the Taleb Grotto will play, under the direction of Mr. Smith.

A triple quartet from the Wollaston Glee club is another feature on the program. To balance the musical side of the affair, Mayor Curley will speak.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 11/13/31

STATE HOUSE BRIEFS

From Our Special Reporter

Boston, Nov. 12—James A. Watson, former Boston city councilman, issued this statement this afternoon: "I called to see the governor but failed after waiting for two hours. I have tried to get action on the conditions existing at the prison camp at Norfolk, but have failed. The conditions at Norfolk are and have been very bad for 11 months. Recently, because of the danger of revolt, the superintendent purchased machine guns and a large supply of ammunition. The superintendent goes inside the walls under heavy protection, because the inmates' discipline is lax. Money has been wasted and this goes on in spite of the fact that conditions there are known to Dr Stearns."

North Adams Men Visit Governor

Former Senator Harvey A. Gallup and C. Q. Richmond, general manager of the Berkshire Street Railway company, were among those waiting in the outside room of the governor's offices today to see the governor. They did not make known the purpose of their visit.

Wants Boston Fire Department Vacancies Filled

A Boston legislator today sent a letter to Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, calling attention to the fact that the fire department is reported undermanned, due to retirements and deaths. He suggested that the vacancies be filled at once, thereby taking 40 men from the list of unemployment.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 11/12/31

It was a pleasure to me to read that one of Mayor Curley's Irish blackthorn cudgels has been presented, with suitable inscription, to that veteran newspaper man, Lawrence J. Thyne—the "h" by the way, is silent, as in "Thom[illegible]" to that Larry calls himself "Tyr[illegible]" If you are an old-timer you will remember Larry Thyne as a Lowell reporter some 40 years ago, doing local items for the Lowell News, and especially gifted at writing up funerals in a way calculated to "make one almost in love with death." I remember he always liked to say that "the body was encased in an elegant rosewood casket," and the account of the "floral tributes" was invariably alluring. In more recent times Mr. Thyne has been living in Marlboro and covering that neighborhood for the Worcester Telegram; but about ever[illegible] year he has managed to drop in o[illegible] such of his old colleagues as are sti[illegible] working here. Long life to him!

QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 11/13/31

CURLEY HANDKERCHIEF FOR GUILD BAZAAR

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston has sent a gift of a personally monagramed handkerchief to the Ladies' Guild of the Trinity Episcopal church of Weymouth Landing for the coming bazaar.

NORTH ADAMS TRANSCRIPT 11/13/31

BOSTON COLLEGE TAKES EXCEPTION

Boston, Dec. 1—(A.P.)—The Boston College Athletic association yesterday sent a formal protest to Lowell Thomas, radio news broadcaster, against his alleged statement that the Boston college-Holy Cross football game was a "racket." The statement was alleged to have been made by Thomas during his broadcast last Saturday night.

The college association charged Thomas made several disparaging remarks in reference to the game, which was played Thanksgiving day and which was planned to aid Boston's unemployment fund. John P. Curley, graduate manager of athletics, claimed Thomas ridiculed the arrangements for the game, commenting on the disappointing attendance.

The two colleges have played annually at Fenway park and usually the attendance was in excess of 32,000. Mayor James M. Curley of Boston asked the colleges to shift their game to the Harvard stadium and all ticket sales over 32,000 be given to Boston's unemployed. The game was shifted from Saturday to Thanksgiving and despite strenuous efforts to promote the attendance only 24,000 people attended and the receipts were approximately $12,000 less to each college than in other years. Unless some change is made in the arrangement the unemployed will get nothing from the game.

GAZETTE DEL MASS 11/14/31

A FINE WAY TO HELP THE UNEMPLOYED

Boston has not been niggardly in caluculating the amount of assistance extended during the past two years to unemployed who have been forced to seek aid from the city. Mayor Curley has done remarkable work. He plans to continue the work.

But looking into the future he is extremely anxious to avoid any tax rate increase next year which will give landlords basis for increasing rents.

He knows that the demands for aid will continue. He intends to grant the mas generously as funds will permit.

To assure continuance of the policy which he has followed, and which has given Boston prominence throughout the country Mayor Curley has arranged an unusual program o fpublic affairs from which he hopes to realize an unprecedented profit.

His first promotion is the Boston College—Holy Cross football game in the Harvard Stadium Thanksgiving afternoon. If every seat is sold, as will doubtless be so, the unemployment relief fund will be enriched by more than $75,000.

In this affair the mayor is not seeking anybody to contribute a cent towards the fund. He is offering exceptonal value for the price of admission to the game. Such a situation has been made possible by the co-operation of Boston College and Holy Cross and of the executives of Harvard.

This football classic is always worth watching. It will be more so this year because of the added features which will be presented. Tickets are on public sale in department stores, theatrical ticket agencies and other places. The demand promises to make tickets at a premium before Thanksgiving. It behooves those who wish to watch this football feature to procure their tickets early.

N. BEDFORD 11/15/31

CURLEY ATTACKS CHAIRMAN DONAHUE

BOSTON, Nov. 14, (AP)—Mayor Curley tonight attacked Chairman Frank A. Donahue of the Democratic state committee and other party leaders. In a public statement he branded Donahue and his friends as "self-appointed Micawbers and adventurers."

Curley charged the group was working to send an unpledged delegation from Massachusetts to the Democratic national convention. He interpreted this alleged move as one which would be of no value to Governor Roosevelt who, he said, would be nominated on the first ballot.

SPRINGFIELD REP 11/15/31

There is a growing demand for lower taxes, which is likely to be even more insistent next year. Yet the best way to impress elected officials with the desirability of tax reductions is not clear. Alexander Whiteside, president of the Massachusetts Tax association, delivers a frontal attack on Mayor Curley of Boston, saying that "the present 'mayor wants to spend money be-'cause he thinks it is good politics." But this implies that a majority of the people of Boston are not sufficiently troubled by taxes to take part in any movement for their reduction. If a majority were genuinely interested, tax reduction would be "good 'politics." It seems to be a question whether efforts should be centered on enlisting the masses or on converting Mayor Curley.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 11/16/31

CUMMINGS FIRES BROADSIDE AT CHAIRMAN DONAHUE

BOSTON, Nov. 16—The second broadside at Chairman Frank J. Donahue of the Democratic state committee and other leaders seeking to send unpledged delegates to the Democratic national convention was let loose last night, this one coming from John J. Cummings, former candidate for lieutenant governor on the Democratic ticket.

Unlike the attack made upon them Saturday by Mayor Curley, who branded them as "self-appointed Micawbers and adventurers," attempting to "cloud the national issue," Cummings demands to know what has heppened in the last year to make these leaders "want to be sent to the convention unpledged in view of their declaration last year in favor of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt."

Accusing them of wanting to go to the convention to "trade Massachusetts Democracy as may best suit their personal aims and ambitions," Cummings charges that those in control of the Democratic party here are "up to their old tricks," and "have forgotten that when they tried this stunt about four years ago, the Democratic voters rebuked them at the polls."

Informed last night of the second attack upon him and other leaders in two days, Donahue declined to make any reply. He also declined to reply to the first broadside let loose at him by Mayor Curley.

In his statement issued last night, Cummings said in part:

"If Senator Walsh believed in 1930 that Roosevelt's nomination meant 'an opportunity to bring back the principles of Democracy,' and that 'millions were ready to follow him,' what now causes the senator and his associates to run out on Roosevelt, the enemy of the power trust? . . .

"If these gentlemen want some other candidate than Roosevelt, why don't they come out into the open and pledge themselves to the candidate they wish?

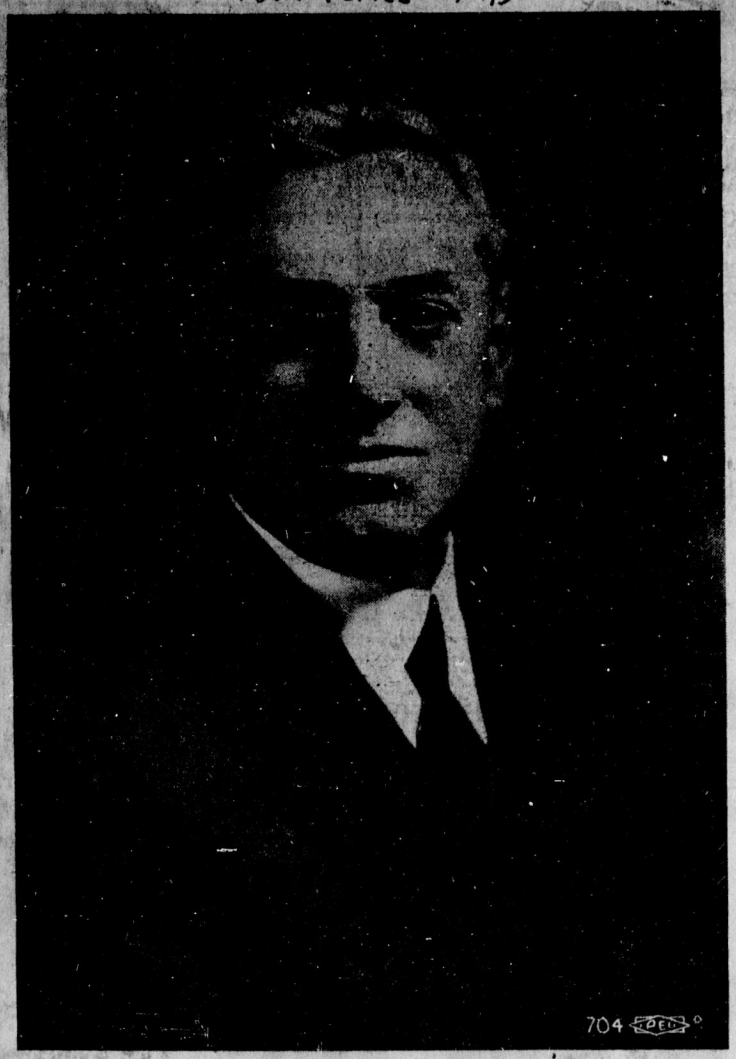
"Notwithstanding the timid and ill-concealed hostility to Roosevelt of these politicians," the people of Massachusetts want Roosevelt. Massachusetts voters admire Roosevelt for his program of progressive legislation, for his steadfast defense of the people's rights, and for his broad and tolerant spirit. They know they can trust him.

"Gov. Roosevelt has a particular appeal to Massachusetts. He was educated here. His children were educated here. When he was assistant secretary of the navy, the Boston navy yard had 18,000 employes and was favored over private shipyards. When the naval districts were established and the bon ton of Newport sought to have the headquarters of the first district at fashionable Newport, Roosevelt was deaf to the pleadings of the Newport aristocracy and chose Boston."

TOWN TOPICS 11/14/31

CURLEY NEEDED NOW!

TOWN TOPICS 11/14/31



The sterling leadership of James Michael Curley, mayor of Boston is needed more than ever to manipulate the affairs of state the coming two years. Gov. Ely's lack of leadership was never so pronounced as was shown by the final muddle which the special legislature session ended in a practical deadlock over the automobile insurance rates. Here was Gov. Ely looked to for leadership, and in its stead were received only weak suggestions that fell on doubting ears. And the final fiasco of the whole session can be tacked on the governor's door, as work not well done.

Had he been governor, James M. Curley would have rose to the occasion with the successful antidote, just as he has on many an occasion as mayor of the great city of Boston.

Curley will run for governor. And more than ever is his leadership needed in unsettled Massachusetts. A strong hand is needed to pilot the ship of state, and Curley is the only man in sight who invites public confidence.

Boom For Curley

If you ask us, and we know you haven't, Gov. Ely pulled a big bone when he kept the Finance Commission in Lowell. For now by their acts and under a Democratic mayor and a Democratic city council, they threaten to either cut pays, fire help or cause partial layoffs, in any event putting a crimp in the weekly pay envelope of the city employees.

Doing this don't hurt the members of the Finance Commission a might. It also may not hurt Mayor Charles Slowey, who will be blameless, if his hand is forced in the matter. But it will hurt Gov. Ely who made this commission.

And in particular will Gov. Ely be hurt in a vote getting way if he is opposed by Mayor Curley of Boston in the primary. For any pay cuts or loss of time that results in less pay per week wil give Jim Curley the vote of every city employees and their families and friends. And that's some vote to start out with, believe me.

DOR. NEWS 11/13/31

Mayor Curley To Address Dorchester Historical Soc.

Mayor Curley will be the speaker Tuesday evening at the meeting of the Dorchester Historical Society at its quarters in the Dorchester courthouse, Washington street and Melville avenue. "Present-Day Europe and Its Statesmen" will be the Mayor's subject and he will give the results of his observations while abroad several months ago.

Dr. Charles M. Douglas is president of the society.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 11/18/31

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SPRINGFIELD NEWS 11/16/31

New England Best Fitted To Meet Changed Situation On Way to Trade Recovery

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By RAYMOND CLAPPER

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11/17/31

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE

BAKER'S VISIT TO BOSTON

Newton D. Baker, secretary of war in the Wilson cabinet, and a prospective candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, is in Boston today to address the Chamber of Commerce. Baker has disavowed any desire to be the party's choice to head the ticket in 1932, but his friends are putting his candidacy to the fore in a manner not to be ignored by those who favor the nomination of Roosevelt, Smith or Ritchie.

The presence of Baker in Boston cannot help but have its political effect, due chiefly to the position taken by Mr Donahue, chairman of the state Democratic committee, who has averred that Baker would be an ideal choice as the presidential nominee. It happens that Mayor Curley, who always takes his politics seriously, has declared for the nomination of Franklin D. Roosevelt, and to make the situation more complicated, this state, taken by and large, has decided leanings toward Alfred E. Smith. These circumstances may easily create an inter-party squabble, led by Curley, which should be avoided, for the Democratic party, with victory in its grasp, can only contribute to success of the opposition if it resorts to factional strife.

Democracy is suffering from no shortage of able men, any one of whom can qualify for the presidency, and only through complete accord upon men and issues can the final victory be assured. If the party were confronted by a dearth of eligible candidates there might be some excuse for squabbling, but under the circumstances sanity permits of no inter-party feuds. There's every chance for success, no matter who heads the Democratic ticket next year. Therefore it should be the aim of all who have any claims of leadership to bury their own personal desires in the larger business of assuring victory.

While it is perhaps too early for the party to decide upon any one candidate for the presidential nomination, it is not too early to lay the groundwork for concerted action at the national convention. All those of the party who are intrenched strongly enough to have a voice in the making of presidents must have decided who, in their opinion, has the best chance for victory in 1932.

It only remains for these leaders to get together with a view to pledging that the majority opinion shall prevail.

It must be accepted as inevitable that "favorite son" candidates will get attention at the national convention. But this phase of the political picture should create no trouble, if those in authority have made their decision prior to the convention. Any repetition of the memorable fight of 1924 might prove disastrous to party hopes.

Let serious attention be given to all those who may have a claim on the party's presidential nomination. Then let the weeding out process be carried on without bickering, that the final choice may be acclaimed at the convention. The resultant impression of goodwill and amity would have a healthy effect upon the public mind, paving the way to certain victory against a party that even now is tottering on the brink of ruin, largely because of its failure to deal fairly with the people.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 11/16/31

The Business Sentiment Is Improving In N. E.

Conference Holds Annual Meeting This Week to Discuss Further Plans for Bettering Conditions.

(Editor's note:—Raymond Clapper, manager of the United Press Washington bureau, has just completed a week of inquiry into business and political conditions between the Capital City and New England. Today he offers a summary of business conditions as he found them appraised by business leaders, some of whom he has quoted in earlier interviews, some of whom do not speak for publication.)

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Above all, the dollar appears to have come through the recent attack from abroad stronger than ever. Gold reserves are rising and hoarding appear checked. This may mean little out in the country but it is vital in the New York nerve center.

Around Albany scattered improvement is noted. The American Locomotive works has an order for 10 locomotives from the Lehigh Valley railroad which will keep 1500 to 1800 men at work for three months.

"We don't expect a large rush of orders but we do anticipate enough orders probably to keep the men busy all year," said Robert P. Allison, manager.

At Schenectady General Electric officials noted a slight employment increase though the plant still is on part-time with staggered work. S. M. Vaughn, secretary of the Schenectady Chamber of Commerce said "merchants are looking forward to brighter conditions and a par Christmas shopping season."

Troy, the big collar town, has come through without any very drastic reduction in pay or help in its main industry. Orders from the Pacific Coast have lagged but the East shows an increase.

Burden Iron Co., one the oldest in the world, has put 200 employes and six additional furnaces back to work. The Hudson Valley Fuel company, largest in the state, has gradually increased production. Twenty brush factories have worked night and day recently with almost unprecedented business.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 11/17/31

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FALL RIVER HERALD-NEWS 11/16/31

JOHN S CURLEY IN DONAHUE ATTACK

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Cummings of Boston Also Opposes Unpledged Delegates to Democratic Convention.

John J. Cummings of Boston, former Democratic lieutenant-governor candidate, joined Mayor Curley, during the weekend, in attacking Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic State committee for suggesting a slate of unpledged delegates-at-large for the Democratic National convention.

Both Curley and Cummings want a delegation pledged to Governor Roosevelt of New York for nomination as the Democratic candidate for president. Donahue continued to ignore the statements.

Donahue has suggested a group composed of himself, Governer Ely, Senators Walsh and Coolidge, former Mayor Fitzgerald of Boston, District Attorney Foley of Boston, Dr. Helen L. Doherty and Mrs. Francis B. Sayre, daughter of former President Wilson.

Cummings asks what has caused the Donahue group to "run out" on Roosevelt and pointed to Senator Walsh particularly as one who had favored Roosevelt's nomination previously. He saw in the move a leaning toward some other candidate and demanded that the action be brought into the open.

Curley styled the Donahue faction as "self-appointed Micawbers" and "adventurers" endeavoring to raise the fetish of support for favorite sons in various states.

Directed Toward Ely

Curley's remarks were deemed directed at proposals that Governor Ely be considered as a suitable and available candidate for either president or vice-president.

An unpledged delegation would be free to support Roosevelt if it chose, but could swing to any candidate it desired at the convention and would be in a position to present Governor Ely at the outset if it desired.

The discussions are deemed a continuation of the Curley and Ely-Donahue battle with the Democratic nomination for governor and possible federal patronage in the offing. Presumption is that Curley will seek to organize another slate, pledged to Roosevelt, and attempt to defeat the Donahue-Ely-Walsh combine at the ballot box.

Republicans point out that Donahue failed to name a war veteran or a "Young Democrat" to the slate and indication is that Curley will seek to use the veterans by having one of their number on his ticket.

Tilt To Continue.

The tilting between the Ely and Curley crowds will probably be continuous from now to the next state primary when they will apparently both seek the governorship label of the party.

The recent special session of the legislature on auto insurance suffered as a result of the political ambitions of Ely and Curley, with the Republicans standing by making political capital wherein possible.

Ely is taking a share of the blame for the auto insurance rates increase and for the fizzling of the special session at which the legislators voted themselves $400 salary.

Curley lost some prestige through the defeat of the Boston council candidates he sponsored so vigorously and now the national convention issue appears to be ground on which he will clash with the Ely forces.

"Salary Grab"

While Fall River legislators refused to be quoted on the $400 "salary grab," they defended the action. Claim was that several did not accept any work, at usual occupations, during the period in which the legislature was subject to call, although they actually did not have to go to Boston half the time.

Fall River Democratic leaders have not yet become enthusiastic over the national convention delegateships and possible candidates are waiting to learn where the convention will be held. There is no pay for attending conventions, presumably not even expenses, and those interested want to see how far away the gathering will be. If it is in Boston there will be many aspirants; if in Chicago, a fair number; if in California, only a few.

PITTS FIELD EAGLE 11/13/31

Big Relief Bill.

BOSTON — Unemployment and poor relief will cost the City of Boston $6,690,000 this year, the Board of Public Welfare informed Mayor Curley. This will force the mayor to find $1,100,000 in addition to the appropriation already made to the public welfare department. In the first 10 months of this year the department distributed $5,590,000, as compared with $2,826,000 in the first 10 months of 1930, an increase this year of 110 per cent. This does not include soldiers' relief and increased appropriations for hospitals and institutions occasioned by the depression.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 11/18/31

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LOWELL SUN 11/17/31

MAYOR CURLEY ESSAYS ROLE OF DICTATOR

From this time forward, it may be expected that there will be considerable bickering over the preference of candidates for the presidential nomination on the democratic ticket.

Already the fireworks have been started by Mayor Curley of Boston who is tied up with Gov. Roosevelt of New York, having endorsed the candidacy of the governor in a public address months ago. Neither at that time nor since, did anybody criticize the mayor for his action in this respect as he was entirely within his rights in so doing; but when he attacks Chairman Donahue of the democratic state committee or any other democrat for favoring the sending of unpledged delegates to the national democratic convention, he is assuming a rather dictatorial attitude.

In view of the conditions, the delegates should be free to exercise their judgment in support of the candidate who can make the strongest appeal to the country, whether Roosevelt, Ritchie, Baker or somebody else.

Much may happen before the time for the convention that might put Roosevelt out of the running; and that is perhaps equally true of every other candidate mentioned. It would, therefore, be plainly opposed to the best interests of the party to have convention delegates pledged to any candidate.

Undoubtedly, the state committee under the advice of Chairman Donahue and other party leaders will pursue whatever policy it deems best calculated to bring a democratic victory. In this policy the committee and Chairman Donahue should be as free as was Mayor Curley when he endorsed Governor Roosevelt's candidacy in a lurid address. The mayor is not working for the interests of the party or the promotion of harmony, when he comes out publicly to brand as self-constituted Micawbers those who favor sending unpledged delegates to the national convention. The latter are not attempting to play the role of self appointed dictators, nor is any of them logrolling to deliver the vote of the state to any particular candidate at the national democratic convention.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 11/17/31

Baker Urges Action That Will Prevent Bank Failures

Former War Secretary, Speaking In Boston, Asks Expansion of Federal Reserve System

Boston, Nov. 17—Expansion of the Federal Reserve system to promote banking stability was urged today by Newton D. Baker.

Addressing a Boston Chamber of Commerce luncheon, the former secretary of war suggested that Congress enact a law whereby every bank holding deposits in the United States, whether federal or state charter, must be a member of the Federal Reserve system and subject to its rules and guidance.

"This," he said, "would prevent a recurrence of that string of state and private bank failures which in the outside region of the country has been so shocking."

Because Baker has been mentioned as a possible candidate for the Democratic nomination for president in 1932, extraordinary interest was shown in his address, which was broadcast over a national hookup of 76 radio stations.

Sitting beside Baker at the luncheon was Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, ardent supporter of Gov Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York. It was recalled that when Gov Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland spoke here recently Mayor Curley had a prior engagement and couldn't attend.

Discussing his proposal for expansion of the Federal Reserve idea, Baker suggested that banks not joining the system be taxed so drastically as non-members as to force them out of business.

Baker praised the Federal Reserve system in its present form but held that changes in conditions made it advisable to widen its scope.

What had demonstrated the necessity for such legislation, he said, was the extraordinary period of speculative prosperity wherein virtually every business in the country became converted to the theory that progress would always be upward and that there would be no more economic declines.

By such legislation as he advocated, Baker said, the government would be able to establish standards in banking and would make it impossible for banks to go into the securities business.

Baker also urged United States membership in the World court.

"I think the United States ought to go into the World court at the next session of Congress," he said "It would be a gesture of good will toward mankind. He warned, however, that the World court itself would not stop or prevent war.

In this connection he advocated adoption of the Capper resolution under which the United States would refuse assistance to any nation which broke terms of a treaty and instituted war. "The Senate should adopt this as a declaration of policy," he asserted.

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LAWRENCE EAGLE 11/23/31

Mayor James M. Curley has asked that there be no broadcast of the Boston College-Holy Cross benefit game Thursday afternoon unless there is a complete sell-out.

SALEM NEWS 11/17/31

Distinguished people visiting Boston keep getting keys to the city presented by Mayor Curley, but the number of robberies in that burg nowadays indicates that some one must carelessly leave the city door unlocked at night.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 11/16/31

WHITESIDE DENIES CURLEY STATEMENT

Special Dispatch to The Gazette

BOSTON, Nov. 16. — Alexander Whiteside, cousel for the Massachusetts Tax association, denied last night that he originated the proposal of the association to create a state commission with regulatory powers over expenditures of cities and towns, as Mayor Curley alleged in his attack on the proposal recently.

He characterized as absurd the mayor's accusation that he controlled the board of tax appeals and said Curley can do no more to restore prosperity by cutting down the assessment on business real estate than by any of the measures he is advocating.

Mayor Curley, when he learned of Whiteside's statement, said:

"Let him ride until tomorrow, I'd rather answer him then.

Mr. Whiteside said:

"If the mayor could see his way, in this distressing but temporargy period of depression, to reduce assessments on real estate used for busines and commercial purpoes — including hotels, apartment and lodging houses —sufficiently to allow such real estate a chance to live and to encourage sales and purchases, he would make a far greater contribution to the restoration of prosperity then he is likely to make, in my opinion, by any of the measures he is advocating.

"As to the Massachusetts Tax association, the mayor does not say I control that. If he did it would be as absurd as his statement, that I control the board of tax appeals. He says I am its counsel. A counsel is a helper and adviser and not a dictator.

I did not dictate the proposal of the Tax association that the municipal finances should be subject to greater state control than exists at present. I did not even originate it. It was adopted after careful thought and study by a singularly intelligent and well informed body of men.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 11/23/31

CURLEY'S SECRETARY, W. F. MULLEN, DIES

Mayor Offers Blood in Transfusion in Effort to Save Stricken Man.

BOSTON, Nov. 22. (AP).—William F. Mullen, aged 34, assistant secretary to Mayor James M. Curley, died today a few hours after the mayor had offered to give his blood in transfusion in an effort to save his life. Sheriff John Kelliher also offered his blood to aid the stricken man. Mullen died from a ruptured appendix.

HAVERHILL GAZETTE 11/19/31

ASSESSORS HEAR APPEAL BOARD ABOLITION URGED

Braintree Official Brands Organ Instrument of Wealthy Alone

(Special to The Gazette)

STATE HOUSE, Boston—An attack on the newly created state board of tax appeal featured the opening session yesterday in the State House of the Massachusetts Assessors' association, convening for it 42nd annual convention.

When in the course of an informal discussion about abatements the subject turned to the state board, C. S. Hannaford, veteran assessor of Braintree, turned his guns on that organization and declared that the only persons to whom the board is of value is the corporations and wealthy.

Hannaford asserted that the board has been of no use to the rank and file of the taxpayers of the commonwealth, the small homeowners, because these either do not know of its existence or if they do, have not the means to be represented before it.

Agreeing with his associates, James Bennett, Lynn, assessor, commended the suggestions made by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston that the state board should be abolished.

While not appearing as a defender of the board, James J. Casey of Cambridge, chairman of the legislative committee of the assessors' organization, suggested it might be well if criticism of the board were reserved until such time as that body has had an opportunity of showing its worth or lack of worth. Mr. Casey felt that the local assessors are in a splendid position to be of assistance to their communities at the present time by reaon of the many local problems arising due to the business depression and he suggested that they devote all their attention to this phase of their work before going afield to condemn the state officials.

There was continuous criticism of the state appeal board during the afternoon session but its work was defended by Henry F. Long, state commissioner of taxation and corporation. The commissioner said the board gave appellants every opportunity to present their side of the case, a situation which has not prevailed in the past.

The attack on the board was also answered by one of its members, Alexander Lincoln. In detail Mr. Lincoln explained the operations of the board and maintained that if the assessors have valued property too high the same mistake has been made by the board itself in the making of its decisions.

The session will be resumed today.

WARE RIVER NEWS 11/18/31

Sawyer Says Greater Boston is Defeated

Dear Editor:

For once greater Boston has been beaten, and its newspapers are howling for fair. 85 cities and towns are this year increased in their insurance rates, about 21 of them, all in greater Boston, are increased radically.

The legislature was called into special session because of the kick by these communities, to be urged that these communities be relieved from some of their increase, by those cities and towns not affected, taking the burden over on themselves.

The requests for such legislation ran all the way from the "flat rate" proposal which would make Ware pay the same as Boston and Chelsea, to the proposals of Gov. Ely and Mayor Curley to have us take over some of the burden. We licked every proposal, tho the Mahoney bill advocated by Gov. Ely was defeated by a close margin of 3 votes in the House.

The Boston papers are giving vent to their spite by berating the legislature for taking $400 for the seven week session. A few years ago we got $300 for a 15 day session, and the Boston papers never said a word. I think the state at large was well served by the legislature; we killed a lot of vicious legislation, and it is well worth the $400 to most districts, tho I freely grant that Boston, Revere and Chelsea do not get much for their $400,

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N. BEDFORD STANDARD 11/18/31

CURLEY WIRES FOR ROOTERS.

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SPRINGFIELD UNION 11/20/31

True to Form.

From the Fall River Herald News.

It is not strange that Mayor Curley of Boston is berating some of his Democratic colleagues for having opinions of their own regarding what Massachusetts delegates to the national convention should do. It has become a habit with Mr. Curley to disagree violently with members of his own party in season and out. It would be unusual if His Honor were not hurling verbal brickbats at somebody. Boston would not be Boston without it.

It would appear from this distance, however, that Mr. Curley may find difficulty in forcing his views upon the leaders of the party, notwithstanding all his threats and oratory.

It may be that, if his demands are rejected, the Mayor will sulk in his tent. That may appear a serious omen to some, but, after the jolt James M. received in the recent municipal balloting, the tent or the tall timbers might prove the most comfortable place for him.

QUINCY NEWS 11/18/31

New State Tax Board Scored By Hannaford

(Special to The News)

State House, Boston—A bitter attack on the newly created state board of tax appeal featured the opening session this morning the state house of the Massachusetts Assessors Association convening for its 42nd annual conference in the Gardiner auditorium.

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Support of Hannaford's criticism was offered by James Bennett, Lynn assessor, who took the occasion to commend the sugegstion recently made by Mayor Curley of Boston that the board should be abolished.

PORTLAND PRESS-HERALD
11/19/31

6 Baker's Visit To Boston

Newton D. Baker, President Wilson's war secretary, visited Boston recently. Why he made this visit does not appear. Mr. Baker said he was not a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President. He didn't come to Massachusetts to discuss politics. It was just a friendly visit, he said. But it must be admitted that it was somewhat strange that Mr. Baker from Ohio chose to visit Boston for the first time when the leaders of the Democratic party in that state are lining up support for several men whose names are quite likely to be presented at the Democratic national convention.

Mayor Curley of Boston is an ardent supporter of Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York. Governor Ely of Massachusetts is not reckoned as a Roosevelt man. Senator Walsh is suspected of being lukewarm about the New York governor.

While this process of lining up Massachusetts Democrats is going on, it happened that Governor Ritchie of Maryland visited Boston and was entertained. Mayor Curley was not present at the dinner given to him. Then along comes Newton D. Baker of Ohio. Mayor Curley was absent when Mr. Baker was given a dinner at the City Club, but Governor Ely was there. Baker took pains to express his admiration for Mayor Curley.

The former Secretary of War did not commit himself to a discussion of national issues at the City Club gathering. He talked very entertainingly about municipal governments and their problems. It gave him a chance to say that he had faith in democracy of the old fashioned Thomas Jefferson kind.

In interviews Mr. Baker denied that he was a candidate for the Democratic nomination. He repeated his views with relation to the attitude the United States should take for peace. Incidentally, he said that the United States seemed to be getting along all right with the League of Nations, because Mr. Baker has all along been a staunch advocate of this Country becoming a member of the League. But he offered no other comments of consequence relative to what might be considered national issues.

Mr. Baker's visit to Boston has been estimated to have been a success. Governor Ritchie, on the contrary, did not make such a favorable impression there, although what he had to say about the 18th Amendment, which Mr. Baker did not refer to in his speeches, was acceptable to the former supporters of Al Smith.

It is very evident from all this that there will be a fight in Massachusetts for the delegation to the national convention. Governor Roosevelt will not be permitted to run away with Massachusetts, although he will have the backing of Mayor Curley. If there is a fight in Massachusetts there will also be a contest in some of the other New England states. It may be that the fight will also materialize in Maine, where Governor Roosevelt's friends expect the delegation to be unanimous in his favor.

But it cannot be denied that Newton D. Baker will be a formidable opponent of Governor Roosevelt in the approaching Democratic convention. Judging from newspaper comments, Baker's strength is increasing. He is an able man, comes from a great state, which has many delegates in the national conventions and many electoral votes. It seems certain that Baker must be reckoned with, even though it is claimed by some political writers that Roosevelt now has enough delegates tied up to insure his nomination on the first ballot.

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6 RUNNING TRUE TO FORM.

It is not strange that Mayor Curley of Boston is berating some of his Democratic colleagues for having opinions of their own regarding what Massachusetts delegates to the national convention should do. It has become a habit with Mr. Curley to disagree violently with members of his own party in season and out. It would be unusual if His Honor were not hurling verbal brickbats at somebody. Boston would not be Boston without it.

It would appear from this distance, however, that Mr. Curley may find difficulty in forcing his views upon the leaders of the party, notwithstanding all his threats and oratory.

It may be that, if his demands are rejected, the Mayor will sulk in his tent. That may appear a serious omen to some, but, after the jolt James M. received in the recent municipal balloting, the tent or the tall timbers might prove the most comfortable place for him.

N. BEDFORD STANDARD 11/18/31

6 Good Politics

In saying that Mayor Curley wants to spend a lot of money because he thinks it is good politics, the president of the Massachusetts Taxpayers' Association, Alexander Whiteside, raises a question he cannot afford to leave unanswered. Good politics, we should suppose, is the kind that wins more voters than it alienates, and thus ensures that degree of satisfaction among the people as to lead them to re-elect the author of it. Whether Mr. Curley is right about spending becomes, therefore, a question of fundamental importance. As an advocate of retrenchment in the cost of government, Mr. Whiteside cannot afford to let the assertion go unchallenged. If retrenchment is to be brought about, it must be as a result of convincing public officials that it is good politics, and that free spending is bad politics. This is not easily done, we admit, but there is a good deal of evidence to show that the people do want government costs kept down.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 11/20/31

Boston Becomes Noise-Conscious

What kind of a noise annoys a Bostonian? Mayor Curley has organized a noise commission, and the commission purposes to find out. A questionnaire has been sent out, and the good folk of Boston are given a wide choice of noises and asked to vote for their favorite antipathy. The list includes loud speakers, motor horns, riveting machines, airplanes, milkmen, tugboat sirens and whoopee.

In New York, there was and is a noise commission. It has done considerable good work. It has silenced the subway turnstiles, for instance—or virtually so. It is encouraging the invention of such gadgets as noiseless riveting machines and window ventilators that bring in an atmosphere that can be breathed but not heard. It is barely possible that Boston's noise commission will do as much.

Certainly, noise is not alone inconvenient and annoying. It is expensive. Dr. William Braid White, the acoustics expert who has measured noises all the way up and down from the human heartbeat to the roar of Niagara, says that the noises of America overload the office payrolls of the country by at least $375,000,000. He blames noise for the epidemic known as "four o'clock nerves." If there were no noises to afflict the brain workers of the nation, he says, we could reduce our office employes—from executives to messengers—by some 5,000,000, which might be good for dividends but a positive aggravation of the unemployment problem.

Still, we won't always have the depression. Economy of labor soon will be as desirable as it used to be. Boston, trying to make labor happier by eliminating a prime source of nervous fatigue, is promoting efficiency.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 11/21/31

Detroit Mayor Curley's Guest At Grid Game

BOSTON, Nov. 21 (INS)—Mayor Frank Murphy, of Detroit got a "break" today.

Coming to Boston to address the Ford Hall Forum tomorrow night on "Free Speech," Detroit's chief executive purchased a Harvard-Yale football ticket, but it called for a seat way back in the stands.

When Mayor Murphy shook hands with Mayor James M. Curley at City hall this forenoon Boston's mayor invited the Michigan visitor and David Niles, head of the Forum, to be his guests at the battle between the Crimson and the Blue. They accepted. The official pasteboards call for seats right on that "little old 50-yard line."

Mayor Murphy was presented with an autographed photograph of Mayor Curley and signed the Mayor's guest book.

Mayor Murphy said he was "taking a day off" and had no comment to make on current affairs.

Asked why he did not present his visitor with one of the shilalahs he brought from Ireland, Mayor Curley said:

"Look at his face, he don't need a shilalah."

There was a laugh all around. Mayor Curley arranged to introduce Mayor Murphy at the Forum Sunday night.

WORCESTER POST 11/20/31

No Appeals Here To State Board For Tax Relief

New Group Brought Into Prominence by Curley Attack

None of the residents, business houses or corporations of this city have as yet entered a claim for reductions in taxes before the new state board of tax appeals that is attacked today by Mayor Curley of Boston for sweeping abatements granted recently by the board. Mayor Curley has called for a grand jury investigation of the acts of the board that was created by the 1930 Legislature, and started to function early this year. Its members are Alexander Holmes of Kingston, chairman; Alexander Lincoln of Boston, John D. Wright of Brookline and George K. Pond of Greenfield, clerk.

Mayor Curley claims the board is the champion of wealth and corporations at the expense of small home owners. The mayor points to the so-called tax abatement "rackets" in New York, and asks if a similar racket is in progress in this state. He cites specifically an abatement of $3,500,000 in the assessments levied by the Boston assessors on the pipes and conduits of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company.

Assessor John A. Swan said today that but two appeals have been made in recent years against the assessments of the assessors of this city and both were to the county commissioners. In neither case was the action of the local board of assessors overruled. Under the old law appeal from the assessors was only to the county commissioners, with a final appeal possible to the Superior Court on questions of law.

Under the present law an appeal may be taken either to the county commissioners or to the state board of tax appeals, whose decision is final. The new board is having a busy time with a huge number of appeals that have been made to them and sits daily from 9.30 to 4.30.

WOBURN TIMES 11/17/31

CURLEY CALLS FOR CUT ON CITY LAND PRICE

Mayor Curley yesterday asked the city council to reduce to $132,350 the price of $200,000 placed on city owned land of more than 66,000 square feet at Chestnut Hill and Commonwealth avenue, Allston.

The recommendation was referred to the committee on public lands. Objections to any reduction is certain to be made by councilmen who vigorously opposed the recommendation of the mayor to dispose of the property. The price which the mayor desires to have fixed is $2 per foot. He considers the price set by the council as more than any prospective purchaser will pay.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 11/22/31

Mayor Curley replies with heated rhetoric to the demand of the Massachusetts Tax association that assessments on commercial property be reduced. "Mr Whiteside and his 'organization," the mayor says, "are 'expounding a theory of economics 'that results in private gain, while I 'am expounding a theory that has 'for its sole purpose the welfare and 'happiness of all the taxpayers of 'the city of Boston." But, as the mayor goes on to attack the board of tax appeals, saying that it contains no members conversant with real estate values, it is fairly clear that he fears a reduction of assessments in spite of himself. If that is the case, the only salvation for the city's taxpayers is a reduction in municipal expenditures equivalent to the decline in revenue from lowered valuations. That is the course for Mayor Curley's initiative. There lies the opportunity.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 11/20/31

Henry L. Hayward of Attleboro, who celebrated his ninety-ninth birthday last week, is said to be the oldest living Civil War veteran in Massachusetts. He is in fair health and was able to participate in receptions held in his honor. Last January Mayor Curley presented Mr. Hayward with a gold headed cane as his gift to the oldest Bay Stater aming "thu boys of '61." The old gentleman is the only surviving member of Company I of the old "fighting seventh" Massachusetts and he is a member of William A. Streeter post, G. A. R., of Attleboro.

LAWRENCE - TRIBUNE 11/20/31

BROAD PROGRAM

Massachusetts Tax Association Recommends Legislation Intended to Provide Relief From Increased Taxation

Rigid control of municipal finances throughout Massachusetts, covering both borrowing and expenditures, is the aim of the Massachusetts Tax Association to provide relief from increased taxation, and evidence was furnished a few days ago that the organization intends to conduct a vigorous fight to realize it. The proof was the association's submission to the special recess commission on taxation of a summary of the legislation that it proposes.

The association's move is based on the belief that the source of reckless expenditures will be blocked by placing additional checks on borrowing outside the debt limit, throwing muni al budgets open to public inspection prior to passage, and compelling city councils to grant hearings on items comprehending increased expenditures.

Prominent in the Tax Association's program is a provision for the creation of a board on municipal finance in the state department of corporations and taxation, which would be given authority to have municipal finance experts oversee the expenditures and borrowings.

In tightening up on municipal loans, the association would make it impossible for any city or town to petition the legislature for authority to borrow outside the debt limit, or for any purpose not authorized by law, unless the new board had received notice before September 1st of the petition scheduled for filing in the legislative session beginning the following January.

The organization favors legislation whereby no city budget could be passed until after it had been open to public inspection for a period of thirty days, with opportunity for public hearings on all items constituting increases. One hundred or more taxable citizens could bring about such hearings.

The proposed new board would be given the power to report to the legislature on municipal petitions and to pass upon appeals by citizens against local increases. Appeals could be filed by 250 citizens and the board would be authorized to eliminate protested items from local budgets. In the event of eliminations being made, a city council or town meeting would have the right to place the issue before the local voters for final decision on referendum by a two-thirds vote. The intention also is to give the new board the authority, subject to the tax commissioner's approval, to effect a more efficient and uniform method of local assessment of property.

The Tax Association's program comprehends some radical changes in the field of municipal finance and Mayor Curley of Boston immediately attacked it as unsound. Others probably will resent the attempt to give the state authorities so much power over the conduct of local financial affairs. On the other hand, undoubtedly there are many citizens throughout Massachusetts who feel that some such drastic steps are necessary to correct conditions which are jeopardizing the future of some Bay State cities. Because of its possibilities for good the legislative program merits the most serious consideration.

WORCESTER - TELEGRAM 11/19/31

ATTACKS STATE TAX BOARD

Assessor Declares Only Wealthy Benefit

By Telegram State House Reporter

BOSTON, Nov. 18.—Attacks on and defense of the newly created state board of tax appeals marked the sessions of the Massachusetts Assessors' association here today.

C. S. Hannaford, veteran assessor of Braintree, declared the only persons to whom the board is of value are members of corporations and the wealthy.

Mr. Hannaford asserted that the board, created by the 1930 Legislature, had been of no use to the rank and file of the taxpayers of the Commonwealth and the small home owners, because these either do not know of its existence or have not the means to be represented before it.

Agreeing with his associate, James Bennett, Lynn assessor, commended the suggestion made by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston sometime ago, that the state board be abolished.

While not appearing as a defender, James J. Casey, chairman of the legislative committee of the assessors' organization, suggested that it might be well if criticism of the board were reserved until such time as that body has had an opportunity of showing its worth or lack of worth.

Mr. Casey felt that the local assessors are in a position to be of assistance to their communities at present. He suggested they devote all their attention to this phase before going afield to condemn the state officials.

It was suggested by others that the assessors have far more experience in valuation than the members of the board and that too much attention may be given by the state body to experts retained by interested parties.

Alexander Lincoln, a member of the board, declared that if the assessors have valued property too high the same mistake has been made by the board of appeal in making its decisions.

Mr. Lincoln quoted instances in which the state board has lowered the assessments of the local officials only to learn that in actual sales the amounts received for the properties involved was considerably lower than that determined by the state board. The board must also hear the experts because it is a semi-judicial body. It did not follow, however, that the board accepted the estimates of the experts, he added.

Henry F. Long, commissioner of taxation, said the state board gave appellant every opportunity to present their case, a situation which has not always prevailed in the past. Whether the decisions are right or wrong, it is the duty not only of the assessors, but himself as well, he said, to exercise every effort not only to reach proper determinations of valuation but to have the facts available.

The meeting will be continued tomorrow.

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W. L. TUCK ON ROOSEVELT

Whitfield L. Tuck, President of the Roosevelt-For-President Club, Massachusetts, of which Mayor James M. Curley is Honorary President, gave out the following statement last evening:

"Every week sees the lead of Governor Roosevelt as Democracy's candidate for President growing bigger and bigger. It is only natural that other candidates should appear and that their friends should advance arguments in their favor. I have nothing to say regarding any of the many outstanding Democrats who are now openly considered from other sections of the country, except that I feel that Roosevelt has superior qualities as a candidate to go before the people next fall.

"The attempt to cloud the issue in Masachusetts by petty politics is hardly worthy of consideration by men who are sincerely anxious to serve their country and their party. Some of those behind this movement came into the limelights with the advent of the Tom Thumb golf courses and probably will go out in the same manner.

"The candidacy of Governor Roosevelt has never been in the hands of the politicians. It has always been in the keeping of the people. I look to see him nominated on the second ballot, after all the favorite sons have had their brief moments of glory."

(Signed) Whitfield L. Tuck

Winchester, Mass.

WOBURN TIMES 11/23/31

CURLEY TO ADDRESS 1000 WOMEN IN N.Y.

Mayor Curley will invade New York Dec. 21 to tell 1000 women espousing the Presidential candidacy of Gov. Roosevelt why the Democrats should choose him as their standard bearer.

The dinner at which the mayor will be the principal speaker will be held in the ballroom of the Hotel Commodore. Its purpose as outlined by Elizabeth Smith Edwards, chairman of the Empire State committee of women, is to arouse a militant activity among the women of New York and the nation in favor of the nomination of Gov. Roosevelt.

"MISS CAPE ANN" GUEST OF HONOR AT THE STRAND

Miss Marion E. Low, this year's "Miss Cape Ann", was the guest of honor last evening at the Strand theatre, where Mayor John E. Parker presented her with a pass entitling her and guest to attendance at either the North Shore or Strand theatres of this city for the year 1932.

Her entrance into the theatre at about 8 o'clock was heralded by the band of Capt. Lester S. Wass Post, The American Legion, which sponsored the Armistice ball where Miss Cape Ann was chosen. The band, led by Director Richard D. Vale, marched from Legion hall to a place opposite the Strand theatre where it played several selections and then took its position on the stage to open and close the presentation exercises with appropriate music.

Directly after the showing of the moving picture of Miss Cape Ann meeting Governor Ely's representative at the State House and Mayor James M. Curley at Boston City hall, the lights went on, and Manager Charles B. Craig introduced Miss Cape Ann to the audience and then surrendered the stage to Mayor Parker.

Presented with Pass.

The mayor congratulated Miss Low on her well-earned title, and the Strand theatre for cooperating so heartily in promoting this annual selection. He also commended the American Legion for their sponsoring this event, and spoke of the good work done by them in the community Then he presented the honored guest with her complimentary pass.

Miss Low responded, expressing her gratefulness for the kindness extended her by everybody on this occasion, and thanked the theatre managements for their courtesy. Miss Low was charmingly gowned. Her guests for the evening were her mother, Mrs. William H. Low, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Tully and daughter Pauline, Miss Lou E. Low and Mrs. Joseph W. Smith.

With Mayor Parker, were Mrs. Parker and their son, J. Edson Parker, Jr. Among the Legionnaires who occupied chairs in other boxes along the same side of the house, were Senior Vice Commander S. Emerson Laurie and Mrs. Laurie; Junior Vice Commander Raymond B. Clark with Mrs. Clark, Sergeant-at-arms Percy J. Sloan with Mrs. Sloan, Past Commander Francis A. McDonald with Mrs. McDonald, Willam H. Markuson and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Morris.

Another guest was Miss Elizabeth Brigham, who was chosen "Miss Cape Ann" at the Armistice ball of 1930.

PARK 12 HOURS IN BOSTON NOW IS CURLEY PLAN

Will Be Continued Indefinitely If It Is Found Successful

Boston, Nov. 24—A drastic change in Boston's parking regulations, advocated by Mayor Curley and adopted yesterday by the traffic commission, will permit holiday shoppers to park cars for a maximum of 12 hours on the majority of downtown streets where parking is now allowed, without fear of police interference.

The scheme, an outgrowth of the mayor's alternative parking plan, will be a Christmas shopping season experiment, and if successful will be adopted permanently.

It provides that on Boston streets where one hour parking is allowed, automobiles may be parked on one side between 1 a. m. and 1 p. m. At the latter hour the shift to the other side of the street will be mandatory.

Enforcement Promised

A specific guarantee by Police Commissioner Hultman of strict enforcement of the regulation preceded its adoption.

On certain downtown streets, like Washington and Winter streets, and other narrow thoroughfares which are so narrow that traffic would be impeded by a line of cars, no parking will be allowed. Parking on Tremont street probably will be restricted to the west or Boston Common side.

The plan will go into effect about December 1.

The traffic commission will hold an emergency meeting at 10 o'clock this morning to perfect the regulation, by stipulating the streets which will not come within the scope of the rule.

The experiment, in the belief of Mayor Curley, will cure the all-day parking evil, will open up Boston's streets to thousands of automobilists and will give Christmas shoppers practically unrestricted time to patronize Boston stores.

It is the judgment of Police Commissioner Hultman that the alternating regulation can be enforced. He expressed a keen desire yesterday for a trial of the plan and when asked by Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman to define the attitude of the police department on the question of enforcement, he replied, "The regulation can be enforced and I will enforce it."

Officials of the chamber of commerce and of the Retail Trade bureau, who have been opposed to the permanent adoption of the mayor's plan, either withheld specific comment on the action of the traffic commission or indicated, last night, that they would await the result of the experiment with keen interest.

TRANSCRIPT HOLYOKE 11/20/31

When Two New York Governors Lunch Together

President Hoover, Dino Grandi and Secretary Stimson did not hold the only historic conference Wednesday. There was another in New York at which the fate of nations was in its way involved. Former Gov. Alfred E. Smith and present Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt sat together. The spokesmen for neither conference would say what had been talked about or what decision arrived at. Both intimated that they had discussed economics.

We can't grasp the import of the Washington conference, nor really wonder much about it. We can all understand the New York meeting and may wonder how those two men sparred for place—and perhaps didn't get it. The two New York governors are both men of very great appeal and also of enormous importance as individuals. And because what they say or do is going to concern us all as we are all interested. Frank R. Kent, by far the ablest political writer in the country, spreads the picture as he sees it, for his Baltimore Sun column this way:

"The Governor is far in the lead as a candidate for the Democratic Presidential nomination. Smith, as the titular leader of his party and its most influential man, does not favor his nomination. Once political friends, thier relations for more than a year have been strained and their personal contacts perfunctory and few. Now, at a critical moment in his fight, with the friends of Smith openly swinging toward Ritchie as the man with whom to block the Roosevelt nomination, Roosevelt invites Smith, by letter, for a confidential talk. If Smith even passively supports Roosevelt he is sure to be nominated. If Smith actively opposes him. in all probability he cannot be. They are to be by themselves. In view of the fact that this time the Democratic nominee will have better than an even chance of being President, the interest in the conference needs no explanation.

"It is obviously important. Upon Smith's attitude after the conference may very easily depend the Presidency. As to his attitude before going in there seems no doubt at all. Practically every close friend Smith has is exceedingly hostile to Mr. Roosevelt. Mr. Raskob, who is perhaps his closest, has been more or less open about it. Mr. Hague, of New Jersey, is extremely anti-Roosevelt. Tony Cermak, Mayor of Chicago, after a talk with Smith. gives out an anti-Roosevelt interview. The Massachusetts machine, which is pro-Smith, staged last week a great Ritchie demonstration, which caused the Roosevelt leader in the State, Mayor Curley, of Boston, such pain that he refused the invitation to attend. Smith himself, while avoiding any public statement against Roosevelt, has equally and more significantly avoided any public statement in his favor, and in private conversation invariably refers to him as 'that feller.' What the two men will say when they are in a room alone would interest everybody. There is bound to be embarrassment. They were political friends, not really personal friends. Smith's personal friends are a different type from Roosevelt's—the Raskob-Kenney type.

"Socially Roosevelt and Smith are of different worlds. There is not and never has been any personal fondness between them, no social compatibility. Politics, not personality, brought them together, and when they differ politically there are no personal or social ties to hold their friendship in a conference like this. The anti-Roosevelt friends of Smith are naturally convinced the talk will not result in a Smith indorsement of Roosevelt. For Smith to go over now, they say, would be equivalent to letting his friends down, and Smith does not let his friends down. It is probable that after their talk they will both say that they touched upon Presidential politics only incidentally; that they discussed questions of State budget and State affairs. That will not be true, but it will be in accordance with political custom. Presidential politics is uppermost in the minds of both and is bound to be discussed. Particularly the question of prohibition will be discussed.

"Smith is preparing to lead the fight for a straight-out declaration in the party platform for repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. He and Raskob are determined to force that in the platform. They re more concerned about it than nything else. Roosevelt, while on ecord as personally favoring repeal, has given various indications hat a platform straddle on the uestion would be satisfactory to im. One sign of this was in last March when he blocked the Raskob effort to have the National Committee adopt a repeal resolution. Another was his statement a year ago that prohibition should be a secondary issue in the 1932 campaign. Another is the fact that the great bulk of his present support for the nomination is from the dry States of the South and West. They believe that Roosevelt will favor a plank on prohibition that will not embarrass any Democratic candidate running with him for Senate or House in a dry State. So far as they are concerned. he can be as wet as he pleases personally if he does that.

"Considering these things, it is hard to see how Mr. Roosevelt can cooperate completely in the Smith-Raskob program. If he does he risks the dry support which gives him his lead and puts himself in the position of being afraid of Smith. Moreover, he would still be distrusted by the extreme wets, who regard him as cat-footed on the issue. And if he does not see eye to eye with Smith on the repeal plank, he gives Al defendable reason for opposing his nomination. It is the general belief that that is what Al wants."

ORANGE ENTERPRISE - JOURNAL 11/20/31

Proclamation
By Mayor Curley

In view of the staggering responsibilities in connection with unemployment relief, in which every citizen is expected to do his or her part in alleviating suffering, maintaining the morale, and fostering a spirit of hopefulness and confidence, maintaining the pay-rolls and reaching out to provide for additional jobs, I want to call attention to one phase of community service, in which everybody should share.

Discarded clothing, shoes, rags, newspapers, books, magazines, kitchen utensils, pictures, kinck-knacks, furniture, carpents, rugs and bedding may be converted into work and wages for needy unemployed through the well-known community service corporation called the Morgan Memorial Goodwill industries.

More than 5000 needy persons from Boston and vicinity were given employment in this manner at the Morgan Memorial last year. $212,000 realized from the sale of reconditioned waste materials, were paid out to them in wages. Five hundred different persons may be employed there each day if the necessary amount of discarded clothing can be collected, and some subsidy provided to meet the difference between the income from the sale of reconditioned goods and the wages that have to be paid.

In recognition of 25 years of unselfish, sacrificial, and constructive service to Metropolitan Boston, during which time several million dollars have been saved to the taxpayers and contributing public, and many thousands of persons saved from pauperism, and encouraged and helped to noble living, I hereby set aside the week of November 15th as a Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries week, during which time the citizens of Boston are invited to visit the plant and various departments of this mutual enterprise that serves everybody, regardless of creed or color.

MANCHESTER UNION 11/23/31

WILLIAM F. MULLEN, CURLEY AIDE, DIES

BOSTON, Nov. 22—(AP).—William F. Mullen, 34, assistant secretary to Mayor James M. Curley died today a few hours after the mayor had offered to give his blood in transfusion in an effort to save his life. Sheriff John Kelliher also offered his blood to aid the stricken man. Mullen died from a ruptured appendix.

WORCESTER POST 11/20/31

BOSTON—Mayor Curley tells Dist. Atty. Foley he believes a grand jury investigation justified into the possibility that "a tax abatement racket system is in full operation at the present."

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 11/20/31

PROBE PLANNED ON TAX RULINGS BY HUB MAYOR

Curley Suggests Grand Jury Inquiry to Foley After Abatement by State Board

Boston, Nov. 30—On the heels of the announcement that the state board of tax appeals had reduced the tax valuation of the Boston Consolidated Gas company's property from $24,500,000 fixed by the board of assessors to $21,000,000, Mayor James M. Curley late yesterday afternoon wrote Dist-Atty William J. Foley expressing the belief "that possibly a tax abatement racket system is in full operation at the present" and giving as his opinion that a grand jury investigation is justified.

Mayor Curley forwarded a complete list of the cases from Boston, and the findings of the state board of tax appeals. The mayor said that every announced decision in cases presented was against the city of Boston. The mayor expressed the opinion that a grand jury investigation is the only means available at present "for providing the necessary measure of protection to the municipality and the citizens of Boston."

Three Decisions Given

Many cases were appealed to the state board of tax appeals and were heard before that body. In a number agreements were made between the parties and the approval was given the agreements by the board. Of the other cases heard, decisions were announced in three, and those three decisions are the ones referred to by Mayor Curley in his letter to Dist-Atty Foley.

They are as follows: Boston Consolidated Gas company, personalty, reduced $3,500,000; Boston & Maine railroad, reduced $1,089,100; and J. C. L. Dowling et al, adm, reduced $61,-300.

Wright Defends Abatement

John Wright, a member of the state board of tax appeals, declared last night that the reduction of the gas company's tax was justified by the facts presented.

"In the first place," said Mr Wright, "it was shown that $1,000,000 has been erroneously added to the company's property by the Boston assessors. This was admitted by the assessors. The $1,000,000 was the value they placed on a gas manufacturing plant from which the machinery has been disposed of or was not in use. Evidence that was presented to us showed that the personal property of the company in Boston had been overvalued $2,500,000.

"That is why we decided that the gas company should be taxed on $21,000,000 instead of $24,500,000.

"The written decision of our boar tells very plainly why we made the reduction."

Earlier Curley Statement

In a statement earlier in the day which revealed that the loss of revenue to the city in the gas company case would be $107,800, Mayor Curley declared that "the board of tax appeals finds the value of the property in question to be $21,000,000 and this notwithstanding that the gas company had filed a sworn return to the commissioner of corporations and taxation, for the years 1929 and 1930, and in their returns under oath stated that the value of these particular properties was $24,065,524 and $25,-351,200, respectively.

"A few more decisions of this kind," the statement continued, "will create such a public furore that public opinion will drive these men from the board and create a legislative demand for the abolition of the board and a return of its functions to the proper tribunal, the board of assessors, with an appeal to the courts to correct any errors made by the local board."

WORCESTER POST 11/23/31

Charity Luncheon For H. C.-B. C. Game

Mayor Curley Makes First Reservation for Kenmore Affair

Mayor Curley's check was received by the Hotel Kenmore management this morning reserving a table for eight people at the Charity Luncheon which proceeds the annual Boston College-Holy Cross football game.

Immediately following the receipt of Mayor Curley's reservation the morning mail brought in a number of additional reservations from Boston College and Holy Cross alumni scattered throughout New England.

This luncheon is given under the auspices of the Boston College-Holy Cross alumni at the Hotel Kenmore, Kenmore Square, Boston, on Thanksgiving Day. Fifty percent of the total proceeds of this luncheon will be turned over to the unemployment fund of the city of Boston. Luncheon will be served from 12 noon until 1.30 o'clock, during which time the Boston College Band will play. Both Boston College and Holy Cross football teams will have their luncheon before the game at the Kenmore.

The alumni association of both colleges urge that all their members make their reservations as early as possible at the Hotel Kenmore for the number of plates they desire at this luncheon. Approximately one thousand alumni are expected to attend, and this is a place where you will meet your old friends and college chums.

For the benefit of those attending the luncheon, the Hotel Kenmore will operate special chartered Gray Line busses from the hotel direct to the Harvard Stadium. These busses will have special police escorts thereby enabling the busses to go directly to the stadium without any delay of traffic or hold-up whatsoever. Only those attending the luncheon will have the privilege of riding on these escorted busses.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 11/24/31

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GAZETTE DEL MASSACHUSETTS 11/21/31

MAYOR CURLEY ATTRACTS NATIONAL ATTENTION

Mayor Curley has again demonstrated almost limitless resourcefulness by creating opportunities for employment for 1500 men during the winter in the variou activities of the park department.

This contribution to the relief of unemployment, made at a period of the year when it is particularly difficult for any municipality to absurb idle labor, is the crowning achievement of two years of outstanding constructive leadership by the foremost of American mayors.

Mayor Curley has not only attracted national attention by the remarkable admiinstrative record which has signalized his direction of Boston's government but he has, without any deliberate attempt to do so, established a municipal policy in an unprecedented industrial depression, which has clearly justified the confidence which the people of Boston have expressed frequently and decisively.

It is not the fact that Mayor Curley has discovered means of furnishing the necessaries of life to at least 6000 dependents of the 1500 men who would otherwise be idle during the cold winter months which appeals with particular force to the Gazzetta for such achievements are typical of Mr. Curley. The appealing force is the record of Mr. Curley since January 1930 in meeting the abnormal demands upon Boston in a clear-visioned, constructive manner which stamps him indelibly as the outstanding leader of a progressive municipality.

We admire Mr. Curley for what he has done for the betterment of Boston; for his whole-hearted and sincere interest in the welfare of its people; and for the remarkable manner in which he has surmounted obstacles which would have baffled a less courageous and less capable administrator of publc affairs.

We unqualifiedly hail Mayor Curley as the most valuable friend that the Italo-Americans of Boston have had at their command in Boston. His record of real service to the people has been distinctive as far as it has related to recognition of Italo-Americans.

He has provided employment for a great many in the various municipal projects of major importance which have been completed or are in progress. The subway extentions beyond Governor square, the East Boston tunnel, the expansion of the East Boston airport, numerous street widenings which have made Boston a better city; public buildings; replacement of worn out street and sidewalk pavings with modern roads and sidewalks — all have given Italo-American opportunities for work under satisfactory conditions and for satisfactory wages.

Mr. Curley has inaugurated these improvements to meet the needs of the city as well as to furnish work to the idle. He proposes, too, to create in East Boston, a strandway comparable with that remarkable improvement in South Boston, which is a permanent memorial to his contsructive leadership. East Boston, where many thousands of Italian families maintain homes, will, within the next year, be able to enjoy the advantages of a boulevard and bathing beach not surpassed in South Boston. For this contribution to their enjoyment of life, the people of East Boston will be indebted to Mayor Curley.

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BOSTON REVIEW 11/28/31

GARBAGE CONTRACT

The city of Boston in the past thirty years has had experiences of an interesting and expensive nature in connection with the disposal of garbage. As long ago as when Thomas N. Hart was serving his final term—and that was in 1900 and 1901—a concern which had a contract with the city made during the administration of Mayor Quincy, performed its duties so badly at Calf Pasture, Dorchester, where it was located, that a mighty protest went up from dwellers in Dorchester and South Boston, and a demand that the garbage incinerating works be moved from the mainland had to be heeded. Then it was discovered that the city's contract with the company had been so drawn that the city would have to pay the cost of abating a nuisance which the company had created. And the city did just that.

Previously, before Mayor Quincy's administration ended, Alderman Presho of Charlestown had charged that the city's law department had represented the garbage company, instead of the city in making the contract, and Andrew J. Bailey, head of the law department, resigned in a huff at the obvious reflection on his loyalty to the municipality, but Mayor Quincy induced him to withdraw his resignation and nobody apologized. After that, at too frequent intervals, the people of South Boston and other shore communities were compelled to undergo a nuisance created by ineffective and careless combustion of municipal garbage, and it seemed as if the city would never able to rid itself of a dangerous handicap.

It is merely a statement of fact that for ten years the garbage disposal contract has been held by a Boston concern which has lived up to its agreement with the city and has never ignored the fact that it had a serious duty beyond the disposal of garbage, and that is to dispose of it without annoyance to whole communities or even sections of communities. A call for proposals for another contract has resulted in a lower bid, submitted by an outside concern, than that offered by the Boston company which has given better satisfaction along every line than was ever given before under any contract for the work with any concern. Before award-

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He has also displayed his high regard for Italians in innumerable other ways. His entertainment of the Italian ambassador to the United States during the remarkable observance of Columbus Day, 1930, will long be remembered. Likewise, he has never failed to give recognition to the sons and daughters of Italians who reside in Boston.

His official family includes two Italo-Americans, Frank Pedonti and Louis Barasso. Another, Charles E. Leonardi is an assistant corporation counsel and Vincent Brogna has been deservedly chosen as a member of the overseers of the public welfare.

Through him, Mayor Curley has made certain that Italo-Americans, unable because of employment to support their dependents, have obtained the necessary aid from the city department which is maintained for this purpose.

In the past two years under Mayor Curley, contracts amounting to $10,000,000 have been awarded to Italians.

To the credit of Mayor Curley it can be said that no deserving applicant for assistance has ever been refused by the welfare department or by himself.

Considering the really big Americans of the present day, the name of Mayor Curley must be included. Because of his interest in the development of the Mississippi River valley, his radio addresses which have been broadcast throughout the country, the American people are well aware that Boston boasts rightly of a mayor who is entitled to recognition among the foremost constructively thinking Americans.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 12/2/31

First Aid to Parking Motorists

Boston is still in a state of heated uncertainty as to where, when and how—or how long—its motorists may park. Mayor Curley's 12-hour plan, with cars spending half the time on one side of the street and half on the other side, has been halted by a "stop" sign from the retail trade bureau of the Chamber of Commerce. Something better, or at least something different, is now being pondered.

Worcester can sympathize with the troubles of the Boston traffic officials. Solomon in all his reputed wisdom would have been stumped by the problem of getting 600 cars into a street with room for 400, and still permitting the merchants on that street to do business. Parking, in almost any city, is one of those daily difficulties that make motorists old before their time.

We haven't solved it here, to the satisfaction of everybody. There is no such solution. But Worcester motorists, who frequently spend more time in quest of an opening than their car spends by the curb when they get it there, might be aided by a little handy information on the subject of parking.

The needed facts hitherto have been scattered through the traffic regulations. In the little brochure which the traffic bureau is publishing, all the rules governing each street are parked in one place. The motorist who wants to leave his car for two hours won't have to drive all over the business district, reading parking signs, to find where this can be lawfully done.

The new booklet ought to be generally useful. A few moments spent in studying it should save a much longer time now wasted in driving about the streets for the information its pages contain.

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ing the contract, it is highly probable that the administration will review the city's prior experiences in contracting for the disposal of refuse and garbage and will take into due consideration what it has been able to obtain from a company which has been fulfilling its agreement in every detail. The people of Boston are not prepared to accept a reversion to methods which prevailed for the better part of twenty long years.

MALDEN NEWS 12/1/31

All Day Parking in Boston

MAYOR CURLEY is making a mistake in driving the traffic commissioners of Boston into permitting all day parking on practically all the streets of down-town Boston. Under the guise of helping out the shoppers and office workers, he is really turning the streets over to the parking hogs. Where a one hour or even a two hour limit is enforced, there has to be a movement of cars, and five or six times as many persons can be accommodated in the course of the day as is the case where all day parking is allowed. The shoppers particularly will get the short end of the arrangement. By the time they arrive in Boston the curbs will be filled with cars that are there to stay. They will circle around vainly looking for an opening that does not exist. Moreover, traffic will be congested in many a narrow street if a solid line of cars obstructs one side of it; and what a tangle there will be at one o'clock, when, in the midst of the busiest time of the day, all the parked cars must, according to the rule, be moved over to the opposite side of each and every street! We predict that nobody much will like Mayor Curley's arrangement—policemen, store keepers, drivers who want to stop for a half hour or so—all will find the plan annoying and troublesome. The only ones who will get anything out of it are the parking hogs, and they will grumble at having to shift places exactly at one every day. However, it may have one good effect. After Malden and other suburban drivers have had a little experience of it they will probably make up their minds to stay out of Boston and do their shopping at home.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 11/14/31

Mayor Curley evoked smiles from the few who know their national Who's Who when he introduced his Mississippi guest as Senator "Patrick" Harrison. Even a mayor of Boston, however, does not necessarily know everything.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 11/21/31

Clark's Boston Letter

BY J. V. CLARK.

BOSTON, Nov. 21—The city of Holyoke was fortunate in having no decided change shown in employment and earnings in its manufacturing establishments, which report to the State department of Labor and Industries, in October as compared with September.

Holyoke reports 24 of these manufacturing establishments normally employing 7,886 wage earners. In September there were 4,307 employed as compared with 4,143 in October. The average weekly earnings in September was $20.66 and in September $20.50.

The state as a whole showed no such decidedly pleasant condition, in fact, the Labor department, canvassing 1,058 representative manufacturing establishments found in October, as compared with September, a decrease in wage-earners employed, a decrease in aggregate weekly earnings and a decrease in the weekly earnings of persons employed. The wage-earners decrease, by number employed, was 8.1 per cent, the decrease in the aggregate weekly earnings was 12.1 per cent and the decrease in the average weekly earnings was 4.4 per cent.

TAX ABATEMENT RACKET?

The state board of tax appeals, created by the Legislature last year, and Mayor James M. Curley of Boston are going to the mat, the mat in this case being a grand jury investigation.

His honor, the mayor, wants to know if this state has a tax appeal racket as has New York. He has asked District Attorney Foley of Suffolk county to smash the alleged organized tax abatement racket system, in which he is prepared to involve three prominent attorneys and a group of prominent real estate experts.

A tax assessment reduction of $3,500,000 granted by the state board to the Boston Consolidated Gas company with a resultant loss of $107,800 of taxes already paid, provided the climax to the various attacks which Curley has been making on the board for its decisions in favor of appellants from the judgment of local assessors.

The tax appeal board consists of Alexander Homes of Kingston, chairman, George R. Pond of Greenfield, and Alexander Lincoln of Boston.

Holmes claims that there is nothing to Curley's charges and that he is not worried. He states that the gas company case was no different from other cases and that many of the experts judging properties come from out of the state. He added that "in each case those who appear are different parties, different witnesses, and different attorneys."

Curley is anxious to offer substantiation of his belief by naming the attorneys and the real estate experts whom he characterizes as holding a monopoly of the presentation of the Boston cases to the board.

District Attorney Foley, commenting on Mayor Curley's request for grand jury proceedings and the abatement in the Boston Consolidate Gas company case said, "The Koppers company of Pittsburg of which Andrew Mellon is the guiding spirit, has since taken over the Boston Consolidated Gas Co., expended millions in developing the company. Notwithstanding this applications for reductions in assessment valuation of properties, now in control of the Koppers company, formerly the Boston Consolidated Gas company, have been requested. Unless this policy is checked there is the ever present possibility of a repetition of the Chicago situation with financial chaos."

[illegible] IN VOGUE

The [illegible] committee on street and highway safety, which is seeking all sorts of publicity in its efforts to increase highway safety, declares that general child spanking is in vogue in Madison, Wisconsin. In this city a child was hurt in an automobile accident and the residents of one street, Virginia Terrace, formed a safety campaign. They agreed that all children should be kept from playing in the street and once a child was found violating this rule any neighbor might, and should, paddle said child and send it, him or her, home.

The plan, says the solemn governor's committee, is working finely. Not only are the children being kept off the motor infested highways but a community spirit is developing on Virginia Terrace. Every holiday the street is roped off, food and drink is served and the whole block enjoys a gala day.

Paddling has become rarer and rarer and all the children can now sit down to their meals in a maximum of comfort. If the story emphasizes on your mind the wisdom of keeping the youngsters out of the street, it has not been told in vain.

FLAT RATE PROGRESS

Western Massachusetts motorists will not hail with complete joy the news that proponents of a flat rate system instead of a zone system under the compulsory automobile insurance law, are making headway in their efforts to put the flat rate proposal to the voters under the Iniative and Referendum. In Western Massachusetts rates are low and motorists are not desirous of the proposed change.

In the special (four hundred dollar) session just passed, ninety legislative members voted for a flat rate. All were invited to the State House yesterday for a conference on ways and means of obtaining before the first Wednesday in December the necessary 20,000 signatures, 5,000 from each of four countries, necessary to bring the flat rate proposition within the confines of the I. and R.

Forty-two of those invited appeared and conferred with Secretary of State Cook. All agreed to support one flat rate petition.

Last week two separate groups filed flat rate petitions. It being obvious that it would be foolish to present two similiar petitions to the people the two groups have united to support a single petition.—Clark.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 11/22/31

Clark Crusade Strongly Supported By Clergy

"Keep Radio Clean" Slogan Echoed by Ministers of Prominence Who Use Air and Exhort Him to Keep Up Fight

Stanch support of the crusade being waged by John L. Clark, program director of WBZ-WBZA, on unwholesome radio gags and song lyrics has been pouring into the station offices in the form of letters and telephone messages ever since he issued his mandate demanding that artists and announcers "keep radio clean."

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, Rev Dr S. Parkes Cadman, Dean Gleason L. Archer and a score of other leading thinkers in the political and religious life of New England, aside from hundreds of sympathizers in the radio audience, have presented a solid front on the "morality issue," severally denouncing the salacious brand of modern radio entertainment and exhorting Mr Clark to "keep up the good fight."

Says Mayor Curley

"The vibrant note struck by Mr Clark," declared Mayor Curley in his comment, "should find a hearty response from every right-thinking American and more particularly from the mothers in the homes.

"The necessity for some form of censorship through which it will be



JOHN L. CLARK

possible to eliminate every character of indecency from radio programs should be self-evident. The fact that last November there were but 30 theaters operating in the United States is the best answer to those who favor the injection of double-meaning jokes, so-called, and indecency in radio programs," the mayor pointed out.

"The success achieved by the Shakespearean players from Stratford-on-Avon during the past seasons, and the capacity audiences attending the operatic revivals, in the best answer to those who are fearful that radio programs, if conducted with decency and morality, will cease to be of interest. Sex problems and jazz music are rapidly giving place to morally clean programs and in view of the fact that the radio audience is largely composed of children in the home there is no quicker way to doom the radio to extinction than to permit filth and obscenity in radio programs.

"I trust that the courageous stand taken by Mr Clark will meet with the quick and unanimous response of the public," Mayor Curley concluded.

Excerpts from other letters the WBZ program director received follow:—

Dr A. Z. Conrad, Park-street church, Boston:—"It is very heartening to find one man directing programs of the radio taking a firm stand for wholesome, clean entertainment for the home and against the persistent tendency to introduce various types of broadcasting which are detrimental to the influences of childhood particularly. I wish that there would be a very strenuous requirement that all broadcasting be on a high, moral plane."

Gleason L. Archer, dean, Suffolk law school:—"I regard Mr Clark's announcement as one of the greatest expressions of what should be the true spirit of radio broadcasting that has ever been voiced by a responsible official of the radio industry. If we are to preserve the innocence of childhood and the aspirations of adolescent youth we must see to it that this great miracle of modern science be kept true to ideals that have hitherto animated it."

Rev M. J. Ahern, Weston college:—"I am whole-heartedly in favor of anything that will remove suggestive or so-called 'sophisticated' entertainment from the air. Radio is too precious to prostitute to any base use whatsoever. In a very real sense the responsibility of the radio artist is greater because he affects so many more millions than do books or other literature, plays or motion pictures. I trust that the efforts of Mr Clark will result in much good."

Cadman and Gilkey

Rev Dr S. Parkes Cadman, Brooklyn, N. Y.:—"I have always felt rather proud that the radio has kept itself so clean in contradistinction to the movies. If there is any creeping in of things forbidden, certainly its prompt arrest cannot come too quickly."

Rev Arthur Lee Kinsolving, Trinity church, Boston:—"It is enheartening to read Mr Clark's strong stand in favor of a high moral tone for radio programs.

"During the earliest years of radio it enjoyed the worthy distinction of being on a higher plane morally and artistically than any other popular amusement which reached the same number of people. There has since set in a natural tendency occasionally to drop toward poorer levels. But when a man of influence and authority, such as Mr Clark, takes this stand, and others like him, the radio will deserve to be a fundamental institution in American life."

Rev Dr James Gordon Gilkey, South Congregational church, Springfield:—"I am glad to approve the stand Mr Clark has taken and to add my support to every movement which aims to improve the type of radio program now sent out in this country."

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 11/21/31

WARFARE OVER SLATE STARTS

Charge Chairman Donahue Plans Unpledged Democrat Delegation

TO CONVENTION

Rep. Sullivan Jr. Says Effort Being Made to Oust Roosevelt

By Telegram State House Reporter

BOSTON, Nov. 20.—Warfare broke out in the Democratic ranks today over the movement on foot to send an unpledged delegation to the national convention. It threatened to bring to early determination the sentiment of Massachusetts Democracy for president.

Rep. Lewis R. Sullivan, Jr., Dorchester, alarmed at prospects of an unpledged slate, said to be in the making by Chairman Frank J. Donahue of the state committee, filed a bill to permit the voters of the state to indicate their presidential preference at the April primaries. He attacked Donahue as a party czar.

The tension in the Democratic party in the Bay State over the choice for president has been evident for some time. Although there is at present an evident sentiment for Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York, the fact that Mayor Curley of Boston is the prime moves in his local campaign has threatened to alienate the support of other leaders who fear Roosevelt's nomination would add to Curley's prestige.

Recently it was reported that Chairman Donahue, who is believed to favor Newton D. Baker for the nomination, was planning a slate of at-large delegates to go to the convention unpledged. This was seen as a move to check Roosevelt's ascendancy in Massachusetts. The reported slate, in addition to the chairman, included Senators Walsh and Coolidge, Governor Ely, former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Francis B. Sayre, daughter of the late President Wilson, Dist. Atty. William J. Foley, Boston, and Mayor Richard M. Russell of Cambridge.

Ex-Service Men

Since this tentative slate became known there have been several threats to break it. The ex-service men, disappointed at their failure to have representation, have asserted they would duplicate the stunt of eight years ago when they got behind Brig. Gen. Charles H. Cole as an independent candidate pledged to Governor Smith and licked the slate.

The proposal to give the voters an opportunity to state their presidential preference is not new, for Gov. Alvan T. Fuller resorted to this plan in 1928 to insure that Massachusetts would support Herbert Hoover. The vote is not binding, but is regarded as instructions from the voter to the delegates. A square is provided on the primary ballot in which the voter writes his choice. Under the Massa-

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chusetts law delegates can pledge themselves to a candidate only with his written consent.

"I have filed this bill," said Representative Sullivan, "so that in the unlikely event that an unpledged delegation should be elected, as proposed by Chairman Donahue, the voters will have a chance to register their choice.

"The people have already made up their minds on the different candidates. Senator Walsh, the leader of Massachusetts Democracy, has already spoken. In a speech at Albany, N. Y., on April 13, 1930, at the Jefferson dinner of the Albany county Democratic organization he said, speaking of Roosevelt, 'Seeing his record of accomplishment, what the nation needs is another Roosevelt. Here is an opportunity to bring back the principles of Democracy. Millions are ready to follow him.'

"Since that time the Roosevelt strength has been steadily growing until now he is far in the lead with Massachusetts Democrats.

"Donahue now attempts to push Roosevelt out by his plan to file an unpledged delegation.

Unpledged Slate

"We, who have followed the senator's leadership in this matter as we have loyally followed him in the past, cannot believe that he will allow his protege Donahue to leave us out on a limb.

"Donahue's proposed unpledged slate is not representative. It gives two places to Fitchburg where there is only a handful of Democratic voters, Senators Walsh and Coolidge.

"It is proposed to give two to Cambridge, Mrs. Sayre and Mayor Russell.

"The number of Democratic voters in Cambridge does not warrant giving that city two delegates. It now has the state treasurer and state auditor and Mayor Russell is being groomed as a candidate for lieutenant governor. If elected, Cambridge would have three places out of six on the state ticket.

"Why shouldn't two Boston congressmen, representing districts that have been sending Democrats to Congress since the Civil War, be sent as delegates?

"As with handpicked slates, the trouble is the slate is not representative and the trouble with Mr. Donahue is that he does not believe in direct primaries and does not believe that the Democratic voters are capable of thinking for themselves.

"In his role as state chairman, Frank likes to think of himself as the dictator and not the servant of the party."

GLOUCESTER TIMES 11/21/31

PLANS COMPLETE TO GET SIGNERS RATE PETITION

(Special to the Times).

State House, Boston, November 21.—Complete plans for the campaign to secure 20,000 signatures to bring before the Legislature next year a petition calling for the establishment of a flat rate for compulsory automobile insurance were made at a meeting held in the State House yesterday by representatives who voted for the measure during the special session.

Forty-two of the 20 House members who voted for a flat rate during the recent session were present at the meeting. Several committees were named for the purpose of securing the necessary 5000 signatures in each of four counties in the Commonwealth.

A committee of seven was named to work with Day Baker, and Chester I. Campbell of Quincy, in obtaining signature in Norfolk county. Indicating that the committee would not confine its campaign to Suffolk, Essex, Middlesex and Norfolk counties, a committee of three members were appointed to obtain signatures in Worcester county.

Vote 1000 Blanks.

The general committee voted to have 1000 blanks, on which the signatures must be obtained, left with the office of Secretary of State Frederic W. Cook. It was decided to leave these blanks in the State House in order that any person outside the Legislature desiring to join with the legislators in their drive for a flat rate might secure the papers to be used in obtaining the signatures.

Still another committee was named to make sure that the papers are filed with Secretary of State Cook on or before 5 o'clock of the first Wednesday in December. The entire expense of obtaining the signatures will, it was stated, be born by the general committee.

When the meeting adjourned until Monday morning the 42 legislators helped themselves to the 10,000 blanks and all left the State House ready to launch the campaign.

The legislators outside metropolitan Boston present at the meeting were Representatives Charles W. Ames, Lynn; Joseph H. Downey of Brockton, Alfred W. Ingalls of Lynn, John A. Jones of Peabody, Daniel J. O'Connor of Lynn, C. F. Nelson Pratt of Saugus, Tony A. Garafano of Saugus, Michael Zack of Lynn.

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SPRINGFIELD NEWS 11/23/31

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PORTLAND PRESS-HERALD

The Presidential Nominations

Just before Congress convenes an estimate of the situation indicates that in both the Republican and Democratic parties there is likely to be a fight for the nomination for President. Until recently it has been felt that President Hoover would gain the Republican nomination without a contest. But Senator Hiram Johnson of California has entered the picture and it now seems that either he or some one who entertains the same views he does relating to certain issues may make an effort to secure some support and give the President some opposition.

Until a few days ago it seemed that Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York had lined up a sufficient number of delegates to insure his receiving the Democratic nomination on the first ballot. Now Gov. Ritchie of Maryland and Newton D. Baker begin to loom up as formidable candidates. Roosevelt, it is said, has alienated many of the conservative men in his party because of his radical leanings and the support he has been promised by Democrats with views not unlike his own relating to the public ownership of utilities. The New York governor is supposed to be strong in the South because he is not considered too "wet" but this same attitude is costing him the enthusiastic support of the Eastern states where the leading Democrats are favorable to the repeal of the 18th Amendment.

This condition is best shown in Massachusetts where the only ardent Roosevelt supporter is Mayor Curley of Boston, Gov. Ely, Senator Walsh and the other Democratic leaders are luke warm about Roosevelt if they are not distinctly hostile to him. The same situation is said to prevail in New Jersey and in some other Eastern and Northern states.

As time goes on it is believed this fight against Roosevelt will become more pronounced. To win the Democratic nomination the Governor of New York must gain two thirds of the delegates in the national convention and there are those who declare he will not be able to secure them.

The Boston Post, discussing Roosevelt's chances, recently had this to say:

"A significant remark made at the dinner given by B. M. Baruch in New York last week to Governor Ritchie may be interpreted as indicating the trend of the opposition to Roosevelt. Baruch, who was a most powerful figure in the Wilson administration, said:

"I believe that in the next election when a man steps to the ballot box he is going to ask himself this question before he casts his vote: 'Under which men are my opportunities best to get work and earn a respectable living for myself?' Such a frame of mind makes for conservatism. I feel that in this Country when the American people are put to the test they will move towards honesty and not towards dishonesty; toward conservatism or rather liberalism and not towards demagogic radicalism." And then referring to Governor Ritchie" as the man to whom the finger of fate seems to point as being perhaps destined to move from his State to a neighboring district."

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NORTH ADAMS TRANSCRIPT

CURLEY ASSAILS APPEALS BOARD

Calls Upon District Attorney for Probe

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(Special to the Transcript)

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His Honor, the Mayor, wants to know if this state has a tax appeal racket as has New York. He has asked District Attorney Foley of Suffolk County to smash the alleged organized tax abatement racket system, in which he is prepared to involve three prominent attorneys and prominent real estate experts.

A tax assessment reduction of $3,500,000 granted by the state board to the Boston Consolidated Gas company with a resultant loss of $107,800 of taxes already paid, provided the climax to the various attacks which Curley has been making on the board for its decisions in favor of appellants from the judgment of local assessors.

The tax appeal board consists of Alexander Holmes of Kingston, chairman, George R. Pond of Greenfield, and Alexander Lincoln of Boston.

Holmes claims that there is nothing to Curley's charges and that he is not worried. He states that the gas company case was no different from other cases and that many of the experts judging properties come from out of the state. He added that "in each case those who appear are different parties, different witnesses, and different attorneys."

Curley is anxious to offer substantiation of his belief by naming the attorneys and the real estate experts whom he characterizes as holding a monopoly of the presentation of the Boston cases to the board.

District Attorney Foley, commenting on Mayor Curley's request for grand jury proceedings and the abatement in the Boston Consolidated Gas company case said, "The Koppers company of Pittsburgh of which Andrew Mellon is the guiding spirit, has since taking over the Boston Consolidated Gas company, expended millions in developing the company. Notwithstanding this applications for reductions in assessment valuation of properties, now in control of the Koppers company, formerly the Boston Consolidated Gas company, has been requested. Unless this policy is checked there is the ever present possibility of a repetition of the Chicago situation with financial chaos."

Child Spanking in Vogue

The governor's [illegible] streets and safety highway, which is seeking all [illegible] efforts to increase [illegible], declares that general child spanking is in vogue in Madison, Wisconsin. In this city after a child was hurt in an automobile accident the residents of a street, Virginia Terrace, formed a safety campaign. They agreed that all children should be kept from playing in the streets and that once a child was violating this rule any neighbor not only might, but should, paddle the child and send it home.

The plan, says the solemn governor's committee, is working finely. Not only are the children being kept out of the automobile infested streets but a community spirit has developed on Virginia Terrace. Every holiday each family on the terrace contributes to a common purse, the street is roped off, food and drink prepared by the goodly neighbors is brought forth and the whole block enjoys a holiday.

Paddling has become rare and rarer and all children can now sit down with a maximum of comfort. If the story emphasises on your mind the wisdom of keeping the youngsters out of the street, it has not been told in vain.

For Flat Rate System

Western Massachusetts motorists will not hail with complete joy the news that proponents of a flat rate system, instead of a zone system under the compulsory automobile insurance law, are making headway in their efforts to put the flat rate proposal to the voters under the Initiative and Referendum. In Western Massachusetts rates are low and motorists are not desirous of the proposed change.

In the special (four hundred dollar) session just passed, ninety legislative members voted for a flat rate. All were invited to the State House for a conference on ways and means of obtaining before the first Wednesday in December the necessary 20,000 signatures, 5,000 from each of four counties, necessary to bring the flat rate proposition within the confines of the I. and R. Forty-two of those invited appeared and conferred with Secretary of State Cook. All agreed to support one flat rate petition.

Last week two separate petitions were filed. It being obviously foolish for two groups to be supporting petitions of like intent, all agreed to assist one petition.

NORWOOD MESSENGER 11/24/31

EASTERN MASS. WINS FOREST HILLS LICENSE

Boston City Council Votes Permission to Operate From Forest Hills to Dedham. Action Will Come Before Mayor Curley Today For His Signature

Unexpected, and with no preliminary announcements, the jitney committee of the Boston City Council reported favorably yesterday on the application of the Eastern Mass. St. Rwy. Co. for a license to operate a bus service between Forest Hills Elevated station and Dedham line.

Coming within a week of the institution of bus service to Boston by the Pierce Bus Lines the unexpected denouement heightens the general interest in a rather vague bus situation.

If Mayor Curley signs the license when it is sent to him either today or tomorrow, the Eastern Mass. is practically certain of victory. If Mayor Curley refuses to sign the license there is no way in which the vote of the City Council can be enforced over his head.

Mayor Curley has been quoted on many occasions as saying that he would do nothing to injure the interests of the railroads and whether this can be interpreted to mean protection of their subsidiaries, as in the case of the New Haven and the New England Transportation Co., remains to be seen.

The Boston Elevated Co. and the Boston Chamber of Commerce, both of whom endorsed the application before the City Council, have also written letters to Mayor Curley asking his favorable consideration and signature to the license. The Elevated favors the project because the Eastern Mass. will run busses without stop from Dedham to Forest Hills, where the bus patrons will take the Elevated trains to their destinations.

The jitney committee held a hearing Friday afternoon at which a letter of recommendation was read from the Norwood Selectmen, stating that a license had been granted by the Norwood Board two years ago, and asking favorable consideration by the council.

If Mayor Curley signs the license, the Public Utilities Commission will then consider giving it their approval. Since there is no direct competition on the highway between the points involved the chances of the Eastern Mass. can be considered good if Mayor Curley signs the license.

Early this morning Vice-Pres. Cummings of the Eastern Mass. St. Railway filed with the secretary of the Public Utilities Commission, notice of yesterday's action by the City Council, and requested favorable action by that board in the issuance of a certificate, subject of course, to the decision to be made by Mayor Curley today or tomorrow.

QUINCY NEWS 11/24/31

Hub Ban On Parking to Be Lifted to Aid Trade

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SPRINGFIELD UNION 11/25/31

M. E. Lord Heads Boston Library

Curley Approves Choice of Former Vatican Cataloger.

BOSTON, Nov. 24—(AP) Mayor James M. Curley tonight approved the appointment of Milton E. Lord, Harvard graduate and former cataloguer of the Vatican Library at Rome, to succeed the late Charles F. D. Belden as director of the Boston Public Library. The position pays $7500 a year.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 11/25/31

CURLEY NAMES LORD BOSTON LIBRARIAN

BOSTON, Nov. 25—Milton Edward Lord, 33, director of the University of Iowa library, has been appointed by Mayor James M. Curley as director of the Boston Public Library.

The position, carrying a salary of $7,500 a year, until recently was held by the late Charles F. D. Belden.

Lord is a Harvard graduate, former cataloguer of the Vatican library in Rome, and a son-in-law of the late William C. Lane, one time director of the Harvard University library.

TAUNTON GAZETTE 11/24/31

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NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 11/24/31

12-HOUR PARKING IS PLANNED IN BOSTON

[Special to The Standard]

BOSTON, Nov. 24—Twelve-hour parking on most of the downtown streets, to replace the present one-hour law, will become effective here about Dec. 1.

The new move was adopted by the traffic commission at the suggestion of Mayor Curley and that body was expected to perfect the ordinance today.

Under the plan, automobiles may be parked on one side of a street from 1 A. M. to 1 P. M., in thoroughfares where one-hour parking is now allowed. At the latter hour they must be shifted to the opposite side of the street.

Proposed as an emergency measure to handle Christmas shopping traffic, the new plan may be permanent if it proves successful.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 11/26/31

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DEFICIT OF $21,000 IN H. C.-B. C. GAME

COST $96,000, BUT RECEIPTS ONLY $75,000

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SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 11/28/31

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BY NY ITEM 12/5/31

BURIED THE WRONG GUY

Chauffeur Writes Mayor Curley That He, Not Gen. D. Pression, Was in Casket.

BOSTON, Dec. 5, 1931.—(AP)—Leslie Fletcher, the chauffeur who recently drove Mayor Curley at the head of a funeral cortege for "General D. Pression," is of the opinion that they "buried the wrong guy."

Fletcher was personal driver to the mayor during the "funeral," which ended with a casket bearing "General D. Pression" being dumped into Boston harbor.

The chauffeur returned to the offices of his employers, an automobile agency, after the services to find that he was laid off "until better times."

He wrote the following to the mayor:

"Don't be surprised if you get tried for murder. You and I buried the wrong guy. It was General De Pression's chauffeur who passed away."

THE HEIGHTS 11/25/31

B. C. SMOKER AT CITY CLUB

Prominent Speakers At Traditional Event

Twenty years ago, a group of men gathered at the Boston City Club for the purpose of impressing a team that was going to represent them the next day on the football field with the sincerity and good wishes of the group. And, from that time on, every night before the game finds the same earnest spirit there. Thus time passes and tradition grows.

Twenty years from that time will find another cheering crowd at the same City Club—there for the purpose of impressing the team that will take the field tomorrow against Holy Cross with the backing and earnestness of all those interested in the team and its welfare—students, faculty, alumni, newspaper men, all there in a manifestation of the true Maroon and Gold spirit.

The committee in charge has arranged a very entertaining and sparkling program tonight. It will consist of addresses by men prominent in political, athletic, and newspaper fields, among them many Boston College graduates. Also featured will be an entertainment presented both by student organizations and professional performers.

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THE HEIGHTS 11/25/31

That a program of economic adjustment is essential to the continued existence of the American Republic is today apparent to every individual, and for the first time in the history of our country the concentrated thought of the best minds is being applied to the development of a program which will either prevent or minimize the severity of depressions in future. As a people we are learning the true value of adversity and the right perspective, which, in the last analysis, is the most potential factor in the development of individual and national responsibility for the less fortunate element in the country.

We approach 1932 animated by a spirit of brotherhood and actuated by the faith that made possible the establishment and the preservation of the American Republic, firm in the belief that as God was to our fathers so He will be to us. Sincerely yours,

JAMES M. CURLEY, *Mayor.*

MAYOR CURLEY EVER READY TO AID CITY'S UNEMPLOYED

Invariably the year books of every college have a custom of finding out "who did most for —," and usually the person is a star athlete, a great debater, or a recognized leader in the activities of the college. But how many colleges are there which discover the non-graduates who did most for their Alma Mater? Boston College alumni have always been known for their zealous spirit in regard to the college's activities, but there is one prominent non-graduate who stands out notably among those "who did most for Boston College"—His Honor James M. Curley, Mayor of the City of Boston.

Sent Sons to B. C.

There need be no listing of proofs of the constant interest that Mayor Curley has taken in Boston College. He would be the last who would desire that. But when the late James M. Curley, Jr., was a student here, the Mayor was keenly interested in the activities of the college, and especially in those in which his beloved son took part. Never has his interest flagged from the time when his eldest son graduated to the time when another of his sons entered here this year. Mayor Curley always was ready to do anything big or small that he could do and Boston College appreciates his generosity with sincere thoughts that can not be adequately expressed in words.

Game for Unemployed

This year the Boston College-Holy Cross annual football game will be staged on Thanksgiving Day in the Harvard Stadium for the first time. And it is due to the efforts of Mayor Curley and the generous cooperation of President A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard, that this anticipated event will take place.

Boston College was only too glad to help Mayor Curley's drive for funds for unemployment relief, and with the cooperation of Holy Cross and Harvard, whose stadium will hold many thousand more than the baseball parks hitherto utilized, the unemployment relief fund will be greatly increased. Since the Dartmouth-Stanford game was to have taken place at the Stadium on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, the day on which Boston College usually makes it a habit to do things to Holy Cross at Fenway Park, there arose an unforeseen difficulty as to how the matter could be arranged to suit everybody. Now that the East and West melee will take place on that day and the Jesuit rivals' clash will be moved ahead two days, Mayor Curley has solved the problem which caused no little amount of anxiety for those who wished to see both games.

Last Sunday evening over radio station WNAC Mayor Curley addressed the audience of the air on the great cause to which both colleges are contributing, and he urged the radio public to attend the game if only for the sake of helping the unemployed.

Mayor at Smoker

This evening at the annual Holy Cross smoker the Mayor will be one of the principal speakers on a program which will be one of the best at any "Night-Before-the-Game" smoker ever held.

Always willing to do his part for Boston College and the ideals for which she stands, our most prominent non-graduate is one of the esteemed fixtures of the college, and he deserves a place among the foremost of those who have willingly and unselfishly devoted their energies in the interests of an ideal.

SALEM NEWS 12/2/31

EXPERIMENTING WITH BOSTON'S 6 PARKING HALTED

No Trial of 12-Hour Program Until Feb. 1; Will Scrap the Alternating Plan If Better One Devised

Boston, Dec. 2—Plans to experiment with 12-hour alternate parking on downtown streets during the Christmas holidays were abandoned yesterday by Mayor Curley and the traffic commission during a conference with the retail trade board of the chamber of commerce and traffic commissioners.

Instead it was agreed, at the suggestion of the mayor, that any trial of the program be deffered until Feb. 1. He invited both the trade board and chamber to recommend plans to improve the present situation and also to study the 12-hour alternate scheme with a view of changes to make it acceptable to the business interests.

Mayor Curley made it clear that he will support any constructive change which will be intelligible and will end the probelem now caused by downtown parking. If it means the scrapping of the 12-hour idea, he is ready to do so cheerfully, but if nothing better can be devised he will insist that this be given a trial in February.

The general opinion at the amicable meeting which the mayor held at City hall was the organizations affected and the traffic commission will be able to agree on changes in the present regulations which will make possible adoption of a uniform parking system without confusion and do away with any sweeping 12-hour plan applied to downtown Boston.

In aquiescing to the demands of the trade organization for the abandonment of the plan to place the alternating regulation in operation immediately, the mayor chided the chamber of commerce and the retail trade bureau for failure to propose in the last six years a comprehensive and enforceable parking plan.

Curley stressed this failure as justification for his position. He pointed out that for more than a year he has advocated an alternating plan which he will believe, until actual trial proves otherwise, provides an acceptable solution.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 12/2/31

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THE HEIGHTS 11/[illegible]/31



To the Editor of THE HEIGHTS:

In behalf of the citizenship of Boston I desire to express my sincere appreciation for the gracious courtesy and most generous action of the Boston College Athletic Association and the Holy Cross Athletic Association in agreeing to contribute the major portion of the proceeds of the 1931 football classic to the Overseers of Public Welfare for the City of Boston. It is an exceeding pleasure, likewise, to express appreciation for the cooperation of President A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard University, and the officials of the Harvard Athletic Association, who have so graciously extended the use of the Harvard Stadium gratis for this football event. To the patrons of the game, who by their presence are directly contributing to the relief of unemployment, I likewise express thanks.

The depression in America for the past two years has been in the nature of an acid test of our Americanism in which the citizenship has measured up to the most exacting standards in the highest degree. It unquestionably has been difficult for men with families dependent upon them to understand the failure of government to adequately provide for a condition such as has been in evidence since 1929. The beginning of the third year of depression finds the people of America not only hopeful but confident that prosperity will shortly be restored, and that the lesson which the past two years of depression has taught will prove of inestimable value to posterity through the adoption of measures to prevent a recurrence.

NEW BEDFORD MERCURY 12/3/31

The plan of Mayor Curley of Boston to overcome the criticism of parking rules in downtown streets by throwing open, during the holiday season, the use of the parking privilege to permit twelve-hour parking in all streets, alternate sides, is abandoned. He hoped to please the merchants, but nobody was pleased. For one thing it developed it would cost several hundred thousand dollars to paint the necessary signs. And it was believed that without a great force of officers to see that but one side of the street was used at a period, traffic would have been confused and impossible. Nobody is satisfied with conditions as they are, but no one can think of a plan that will be more satisfactory.

Under the law as interpreted, the owner of a car is not responsible in traffic for its misuse, without evidence of identity in each case, the problem is complicated. An attempt will be made at the forthcoming session of the legislature to put more responsibility on owners, whether or not they are driving. The Chamber of Commerce opposed the Curley experiment but it is the understanding it may be tried out in February.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 12/3/31

TERMS WASHINGTON 6 CITIZEN OF BOSTON

Boston, Dec. 3—The Bostonian society, long guardian of the Old State House, celebrated its 50th anniversary yesterday afternoon at King's chapel. Prof Albert Bushnell Hart, professor emeritus of history at Harvard university; Mayor James M. Curley and Courtenay Guild, vice-president of the society, were the speakers.

Prof Hart's subject was "Washington as a Bostonian." He outlined Washington's three visits to Boston and declared that he was truly a citizen of Boston and of Massachusetts. The first visit, he said, was in 1756, when Washington came to plead the cause of the colonial soldiers as against the British soldiers who sought to dominate them. The second was at the time of the British occupation of Boston during the Revolution, when he had been chosen by the Continental Congress as the head of the troops there. The third was when he was President of the United States.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 12/3/31

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BATTLE CREEK, MICHIGAN



—Wide-World Photo

"GENERAL DEPRESSION" GOES OVERBOARD. While a band played and happy throngs cheered, the vegetable-garnished casket of "General D. Pression" was dropped into Boston Harbor. As a result, Bostonians are looking forward to a happy New Year.

When Boston Trimmed Gotham



(Courtesy of Boston Business)

Recently the members of the New York Maritime Association and the Maritime Association of the Boston Chamber of Commerce participated against each other in the first leg of a golf tournament and the Boston men won. Here is a group of participants and a trophy presented by Mayor Curley of Boston, which will go to the tournament winners. Left to right, C. Campbell Patterson, Jr., chairman of the golf committee of the Boston Association; Gerrit Fort, chairman of the Governing Board of the Boston Association; Frank S. Davis, manager of the Chamber's Maritime Association, and Capt. J. C. Reichert, chairman of the golf committee of the New York Association.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 10/16/31

PORT DEVELOPMENT URGED BY CURLEY

Boston, Oct. 16—Marine night, arranged by the Traffic club of New England, brought together many well-known ocean, coastwise and railroad transportation men at the Copley Plaza hotel last night.

It also brought a stirring appeal from Mayor Curley for a revival of the spirit of the early people of New England who risked their money in shipping and made this port a great shipping center. He urged New England shippers to make Boston a cargo port instead of a port of call and said that if this is done other large shipping centers along the Atlantic will soon give consideration to Boston. He declared it his belief that Boston will come into its own again as a leader in shipping circles.

The mayor said that the city is prepared to spend money generously to promote industry provided sufficient interest is manifested by those who are in a position to do something to benefit this port.

11/26/31

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN

URGES BOSTON BUY COAL FOR ITS NEEDY

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PITTSFIELD EAGLE 11/25/31

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NEWBURYPORT NEWS 11/27/31

NEWSLINGS.

Now is the time to run your business, not walk it!

Longest run now on Broadway, "Grand Hotel"—421 performances last week.

Near-summer in New England with an 18-below blizzard to match it out West.

Ships are now making less racingly for England. The free-of-tariff cargoes all got in last Tuesday.

Washington has had nothing but praise for its foreign visitors, but praise settles no world financial problem.

Thirty new varieties of chrysanthemums were exhibited at one show. Just as if we'd exhausted the magnificence of the existing ones.

We are losing our haughtiness about Chicago's gangsters. Why, you can get taken for a ride right here in Revere or Chelsea.

When that cargo of gold is raised from the sunken Egypt will it at once expand the credit system of whatever country owns it?

Of course the Bartenders Mutual Benefit Association—it held its 50th annual banquet in Boston this week!—is, outwardly at least, composed wholly of veterans.

Have you noticed the long lists of corporation directors' meetings which the financial pages of all papers now carry? This is an innovation. It used to be a question only of the days when shares went ex-dividend and of the days when dividends were paid. Now the investor wants to know the fatal hour when his dividend is in danger of being cut or passed.

Around the State House they seem to have trouble in spelling their inscriptions correctly. Could they have been chiselled by the typewriter, they might have come out better. The machine shows up our errors glaringly.

Governor Ritchie's and Newton Baker's visits to this state, taken in connection with Mayor Curley's well known enthusiasm for Governor Roosevelt, suggest that there is going to be a fight for the Massachusetts delegation to the Democratic national convention.

New Brunswick is becoming a great cranberry growing province. We hardly think it will compete with our own Cape Cod—if it did, we could easily clap on a tariff!—but all through Canada they are getting to know that New Brunswick cranberries are pretty succulent, and the province is going to raise more of them next year!

The Boston Chamber of Commerce is a great institution, with a handsome building, devoted to generating enthusiasm for the prosperity of the city, and with a record of having already put Boston in a far more aggressive business mood than it was 20 years ago. Note the name of its new president, Frederic Synder, who brings new ideas to the Chamber from his long experience as head of a great wholesale food supply house.

Bostonians when they gazed up the other day at the dirigible Akron—and the people of other cities in their turn when the huge blimp visited them—had the same right that father has when Junior brings the new car he has bought into the drive to ask the question, "Have we got our money's worth?" It was the questioner's money in each case that paid for the vehicle.

We shall feel sorry when tomorrow the last, or practically the last, football game is over, and, with post mortems only left, there will be no keen excitement left to take the ordinary man's mind off of his troubles. Never has sport fulfilled its happy vocation of healthfully absorbing attention and driving away worries better than this fall. Where do we go from here? Let's make hockey, bowling, basketball keener than ever! And how about some first-class prize fights to fill in the time till baseball opens!

The canny member of the Great and General Court has of course been particularly careful of late not to indulge in ostentatious spending—unless of course in subscriptions to various relief funds. The tumult and the shouting will ere long be over, however, and he may then take his

LAWRENCE EAGLE 11/27/31

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ATTLEBORO SUN 11/27/31

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GARDNER NEWS 11/27/31

Deficit of $21,000 From "Benefit" Game

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WORCESTER TELEGRAM 11/27/31

SUGGESTS BOSTON DEAL IN COAL

Could Sell to Poor at Cost Price

By Telegram State House Reporter

BOSTON, Nov. 26.—Replying to a communication from Mayor James M. Curley of Boston protesting against the price charged for coal, Ralph Robart, director of the state division on the necessaries of life, has suggested to the mayor that one method of affording relief to the poorer people of Boston would be for the city to purchase coal in wholesale lots and retail it in bags at fire stations, school houses and other municipal buildings at cost.

Under the state law, Mr. Robart said, any city is authorized to do this.

Mr. Robert said the retailers have reduced their gross profit approximately $1.08 a ton during the past year.

"Coal from the standpoint of the consumer," he wrote, "is in a more wholesome condition competitively than at any time since the war. Prior to last spring retail prices were fairly uniform, although the division was unable to find any evidence of an understanding between dealers for establishing prices."

Pointing out that the demand for anthracite in Boston dropped from 1.6 ton per person to one ton between 1924 and 1931, Director Robart pointed out the coal operators and dealers are seeking to regain their lost ground not only through price concessions but services of various kinds.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 11/27/31

Mayor Curley's radio reference between the halves of the Holy Cross and Boston college football game to "this unwarranted depression" undoubtedly was appreciated by his host of listeners. The question naturally arises: Whom did he mean?

WORCESTER POST 11/28/31

H. C.-B. C. Attendance Placed at 25,000

Mayor Curley of Boston hopes to convert a paper deficit of about $21,000 in the financial returns of the H. C.-B. C. game into an actual cash addition to the public welfare department fund for the unemployed.

The Hub mayor seeks to accomplish this by influencing the athletic directors at both colleges as well as Bob Quinn, president of the Red Sox, to accept considerably less than had been agreed on when the mayor undertook the promotion of the game as an aid to the welfare department fund.

Unofficial reports state the actual sale of tickets at approximately 25,000 and represented receipts of $75,000. This report was made by the Harvard A. A.

Mayor Curley was optimistic yesterday that Mr. Quinn would not insist on receiving $15,000 in lieu of the rental that would have accrued from the use of Fenway Park.

LOWELL SUN 11/27/31

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LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 11/27/31

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GAZETTE DEL MASSACHUSETTS 11/28/31

THE PARKING EXPERTS DECLARE THEMSELVES

Self-decorated parking experts, who seem to know far more about other matters than they do about the solution of the most vexing problem which confronts Boston, are in disagreement with Mayor Curley's proposal to give a trial during the Christmas shopping season to the alternative parking regulation which he has been advocating for more than a year.

The mayor believes, as do many others, that if automobilists are allowed to park on one side of every street where parking is permitted, until 1 o'clock in the afternoon, when the parking privilege would be automatically shifted to the other side of every street, the chaos which now exists would be eliminated.

The mayor also believes that policemen would be made available for some other and more valuable character of public service than placing chalk marks on tires and filling out tags.

The mayor is ambitious to invite New England to do its Christmas shopping in Boston with positive assurance of complete freedom from molestation by police tagging squads.

No one has questioned the sincerity of the mayor but the "experts" have attacked his proposal as unworkable and as a plan which Boston should not try. It seems to be the fact that regardless of who makes a suggestion to correct traffic evils or what the proposal is, the Cahmber of Commerce executives array themselves in opposition. Just why [illegible] connected with the Chamber of Commerce considers himself a traffic expert is a mystery. If the organization had real experts in its various departments Boston might derive some real benefit from it.

To offset the mayor's plan, the Chamber of Commerce, the Retail Trade Bureau and the Elevated announced that they had suggested to the traffic commission "the most comprehensive plan ever devised" for handling traffic and parking during the holiday season. It involves the assignment of 75 additional policemen to parking duty and the closing of down-town streets to cruising taxicabs.

If that is comprehensive or even constructive, its attributes fail to stand out strong enough to be recognized.

Incidentally Police Commissioner Hultman is against the trial of the alternative parking plan. If he would offer a satisfactory substitute or if his department had achieved any measure of success in the enforcement of existing regulations, his opposition might be pardoned.

The mayor's plan appears to have enough merit to warrant a trial.

Protest Remarks Made By Thomas

LOWELL SUN 12/1/31

BOSTON, Dec. 1 (AP)—The Boston College Athletic association yesterday sent a formal protest to Lowell Thomas, radio [illegible] broadcaster, against his alleged statement that the Boston college Holy Cross football game was a "racket." The statement was alleged to have been made by Thomas during his broadcast last Saturday night.

The College association charged Thomas made several disparaging remarks in reference to the game, which was played Thanksgiving day and which was planned to aid Boston's unemployment fund. John P. Curley, graduate manager of athletics, claimed Thomas ridiculed the arrangements for the game, commenting on the disappointing attendance.

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CURLEY WOULD TURN 'PAPER' LOSS INTO REAL CASH

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The actual sale of tickets according to an unofficial report to the mayor by the Harvard A. A. yesterday, did not exceed 25,000, and represented receipts of approximately $75.000.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 12/1/31

DELAY BY CURLEY OF PARKING PLAN

Barrage of Objections Changes Tactics of Boston Mayor

BOSTON, Dec. 1 (INS)—Faced with a barrage of objections, Mayor James M. Curley at a City hall hearing this afternoon postponed until Feb. 1., 1932, the inauguration of his alternate parking plan for automobiles on Boston streets.

During the interval, the mayor said, the Chamber of Commerce and the Retail Trade Board and other objectors to his plan may gather data on the traffic situation and "pool" views in an attempt to work out a single solution agreeable to all sides.

The mayor made it plain that he was not "scrapping" the alternate plan but was holding it in abeyance pending developing of something better.

The alternate plan called for parking on one side of a street from midnight until noon with a shift to the other side of the street for a like number of hours.

"You have been working on his traffic situation for six or seven years," said the mayor. "If you don't arrive at some solution soon I will work something out myself and it may hurt you. Persons in a radius of a 100 miles of Boston, who would like to shop here for two or three hours some days, have the idea that Boston is one of the most unsafe places to park in. We would like to remove this idea from their minds and thus stimulate trading in Boston."

The traffic commission yesterday adopted a rule placing the blame for parking on the owner of an automobile. Police Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman today stated at the City hall hearing that the new rule would aid [illegible].

GAZETTA DEL MASSACHUSETTS 11/28/31

THE REAL BURDEN OF UNEMPLOYMENT

The fact that Boston will spend more than $6,000,000 this year in assisting sufferers from unemployment appears to indicate that Boston has been far more liberal in grants of aid to the unfortunates than have other communities. Comparison however of the per capita expenditures of Massachusetts cities shows that all have been generous in the allowances which have been made to applicants at welfare departments.

Boston's total is almost staggering. It represents a vast expenditure from which the city, as a whole, obtains no return. It represents, in a limited way, the wages which the recipients of aid from welfare departments would have earned had they been able to find employment.

Unquestionably there have been abuses in Boston and elsewhere practiced by the undeserving who misrepresent their circumstances. It is impossible to deny aid to applicants who need it immediately by compelling them to await investigation of their statements.

Such inquiries require time and because Mayor Curley has refused to establish a policy which makes an investigation preliminary to the grant of aid, unscrupulous persons have taken advantage of an unprecedented situation. How long it will continue is uncertain but it will last throughout the winter.

The bright sunshine of prosperity is not yet discernable. Meanwhile Boston and Mayor Curley are taking excellent care of the unemployed and the needy.

GAZETTA DEL MASSACHUSETTS 11/28/31

PERSONALITIES ACCOMPLISH NOTHING

Without passing judgment upon the justification which may have been provided, Boston city councillors who believe that "mud-slinging" an doffensive personalities will gain their ends, will eventually learn the folly of their ways.

It is true that three councilmen, whom Mayor Curley sought to depose were re-elected. The mayor accepted the dictates of the voters. Certainly the re-election of these men does not carry a mandate from their constituents to take advantage of the legal privilege at city council meetings to indulge in characterizations and accusations which, under other conditions, would be slanderous.

There are legitimate ways to gain the ends which two of these councilmen feel it necessary to attain. At a recent meeting Councilman Francis E. Kelly of Dorchester unfairly branded Senator Michael J. Ward whom he dislikes about as strongly as one can another.

Casting sarcastic aspersion upon the health of another is not fair play. Mr. Kelley's characterization, undoubtedly chosen under pressure, had no part in any speech in the city council. This young man ought to be busily engaged in trying to find jobs for the unemployed of his ward.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 11/30/31

Radical Parking Plan

Boston's traffic commission, which obeys the wishes of Mayor Curley, has adopted a new parking plan which seems as revolutionary as the single tax. On streets where one-hour parking is now allowed automobiles may be parked without limit of time between 1 a. m. and 1 p. m., but at 1 p. m. all vehicles must be moved to the other side of the street. From then until 1 a. m. it appears that parking will be unrestricted on the side on which it is permitted.

The theory of the plan is that the required shift at 1 p. m. will discourage attempts at all-day parking and that the removal of the one-hour limit will make it possible for shoppers to trade at the stores and return to their cars without fearing to find them tagged. Although the plan is designed to facilitate trading, it is stoutly opposed by the retail trade board of the Chamber of Commerce, which contemplates legal action in an attempt to prevent it from being placed in effect. Apparently Police Commissioner Hultman, who has had famous disagreements with the traffic commission, favors giving the plan a trial, but recognizes that it places an impossible burden upon the police department.

It remains to be seen whether the plan has any theoretical advantage that would not be attained by permitting slightly longer parking periods. That it is capable of abuse seems certain. And there is grave doubt whether the Christmas shopping season is the time for giving it a trial. On the other hand, it appears to be free from political or other ulterior motive and represents Mayor Curley's honest opinion as to how the parking problem should be solved.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 12/8/31

De Witt DeWolf has fixed the political stand of Gov. Ely for next year. He is first and last for "Al" Smith for president if Smith is a candidate. So put that in your pipe Mayor Curley and smoke it.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 11/28/31

Worcester Architect Is War Memorial Winner

Design Submitted by G. Adolph Johnson Is Choice of Commission From 103 Submitted; to Cost Million

By JAMES H. GUILFOYLE
Telegram State House Reporter

BOSTON, Nov. 27.—The Massachusetts War Memorial Commission tonight announced that a design submitted by G. Adolph Johnson, 16 Norwich street, Worcester, had been selected for the State War Memorial, which the commission will recommend be constructed in the Back Bay Fens, Boston.

Mr. Johnson's design was selected in a competition in which 103 architects from the state competed. The selection carries an award of $2500.

The competition was conducted in two stages. Five designs were selected in the first stage, each author receiving an award of $1000. Today's choice was made on an elaboration of the designs selected in the first stage. The commission will recommend that the design be approved by the Legislature and an effort will be made to have a part of the estimated $1,000,000 cost appropriated in 1932, with the remainder to be appropriated in budgets of future years.

Apply Award to Fees

The awards received by Mr. Johnson will be applied to architect's fees if the monument is actually built. These will amount to about $58,000.

The second choice of the five designs in the second stage, carrying an award of $1000 additional was that prepared by Maginnis & Walsh, Boston architects. The firm is now building the memorial beacon shaft on Mt. Greylock which is a part of the state's war memorial program.

The commission, while withholding a detailed description of Mr. Johnson's design pending the filing of the report with the Legislature sometime next week, made known that it is of the inspirational type but that its recommendations will leave the way open for a later utilitarian development.

The site was selected some time ago, being approved because of the advantages it offers for development of the surroundings and the approach, which it is estimated will cost another million dollars.

The Back Bay Fens was deeded to the city of Boston for park purposes but no difficulty is anticipated in reaching an amicable agreement with Boston for utilization of the area required for the memorial, which is about 200 yards south of Richardson bridge on Boylston street. It appealed particularly to the commission because it is in a territory where the monument is not likely to be dwarfed by later development. Mayor James M. Curley of Boston and other city officials have expressed their approval of the location.

Announcement of the five designs selected in the first stage was made Oct. 14 after the commission had spent several days in viewing the 103 entries. In addition to the designs selected today the authors of the others who received $1000 awards included Jasper Rustigian, Worcester, L. W. Briggs Co., Worcester, and Richard Shaw, Boston.

The final selection came only after the commission had been in session for five hours today during which time there was frank discussion of the designs. No details of the session were made public, the commission announcing an entire review of its work would be given in its report.

Gen. Charles B. Wheeler of Pittsfield is chairman of the commission. The other members are Senator Christian Nelson, Worcester; Representatives Horace T. Cahill, Braintree; Daniel J. Coakley, Chicopee; Martin Swanson, Worcester; Col. Willard B. Luther, Cambridge, and Ralph Adams Cram, noted Boston architect.

The agitation for a state war memorial has been underway since the Civil War and many commissions have made recommendations. The plea for a memorial has been more intensive since 1920.

A special commission last year held hearings throughout the state and determined the sentiment was overwhelmingly in favor of having it located in Boston. This year's commission was authorized to recommend a site and a design.

Wins State Award



G. ADOLPH JOHNSON

HARTFORD COURANT 12/1/31

Boston College Protests Against Radio Broadcast

Claim Lowell Thomas, Announcer, Called Game With Holy Cross 'Racket'

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In Curley's message to Thomas he said, "Boston College and Holy Cross play their annual game on the Saturday following Thanksgiving Day at Fenway Park, which seats over 32,000. The game is generally a sell-out, and as many as 43,000 have attended. This year, at the request of the mayor of Boston, and through the kindness of President Lowell of Harvard, the game was transferred to Harvard Stadium, where 60,000 can be accommodated. The two colleges were to receive the returns on 32,000 tickets, pay all expenses and every cent over the return on these tickets was to be turned over to charity.

Both Take Loss.

"If the game went over as expected, over $75,000 could have been realized for charity. As it is Boston College and Holy Cross stand to take a severe loss, and here at Boston College the receipts of this game carry our entire athletic program, which now faces a heavy deficit.

"We do not conscientiously believe we were sponsoring any 'racket' and think your remarks on last Saturday evening were a gross misrepresentation of the facts and figures and of a most libellous nature."

The protest was the second in the last month against a radio announcer to be made by a greater Boston institution. Harvard protested Ted Husing's use of the word "putrid" in describing the play of Barry Wood, Harvard quarterback in the Dartmouth game. Harvard barred Husing from the stadium as a broadcaster.

SALEM NEWS 12/5/31

Chauffeur Who Help Bury Gen. D. Pression Fired

The chauffeur who drove Mayor Curley at the head of the funeral cortege for "General D. Pression" last Tuesday has written a letter to the mayor saying, "We buried the wrong guy." When he returned from the funeral he foun dhis own job was gone.

Leslie Fletcher, formerly a three-letter athlete at Stoneham High school, had the honor of leading Gen. D. Pression's funeral procession as Mayor Curley's personal driver.

No one took more pleasure in the rites than he. Secure in the knowledge he had a job, he sang "Happy days are here again" with the best of them as the general's coffin slid into the harbor from Battery wharf.

The ceremony over, Fletcher drove Curley back to City hall, the mayor sitting with him on the front seat for the sake of warmth. They both expressed the hope that the obsequies would have a lasting effect.

Fletcher then returned to the offices of his employers, an automobile agency. His boss met him at the door.

"I guess there's nothing doing for you, Fletcher," the boss said, "I just had orders from the front office to lay you off until times are better."

Fletcher sat himself down in the office of his erstwhile employers and wrote the following note to Mayor Curley:

Dear Mayor:

Don't be surprised if you get tried for murder. You and I buried the wrong guy this morning. It was General D. Pression's chauffeur who passed away.

Metamorphosically,
Leslie Fletcher.

NORTHAMPTON GAZETTE 12/5/31

"BURIED WRONG GUY," SAYS CHAUFFEUR IN CORTEGE FOR "GENERAL D. PRESSION"

Boston, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Leslie Fletcher, the chauffeur who recently drove Mayor Curley at the head of a funeral cortege for "General D. Pression," is of the opinion that they "buried the wrong guy."

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SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/6/31

BELLOWS FALLS NOTES OF THE PAST WEEK

R. C. Wales's House Is Burned—Shopping Season Under Way

From Our Special Correspondent

Bellows Falls, Vt., Dec. 5—The dwelling occupied by the family of Rowe C. Wales, son of George R. Wales of the Bellows Falls Savings institution in Hadley, N. Y., was practically destroyed by fire Thanksgiving morning. The fire was started by some kind of explosion about the stove. The wife and children who were upstairs were able to get out and the family have been here since but will take a furnished apartment in Corinth, N. Y., for the present. Mr Wales's work is at Corinth.

During the past few weeks important improvements have been made in the auditorium of the Congregational church. The walls and ceiling have been thoroughly redecorated and some changes have been made in the lighting system.

Edmond W. Nolan, a former well known resident of Bellows Falls and paper mill employe, now living at Ware, Mass., recently received a blackthorn cane on which near the handle was a pigskin loop on which was the following lettering, "Presented to Edmond W. Nolan by City of Boston, James M. Curley, Mayor." Mr Nolan was an old acquaintance of Mayor Curley which called for the now famous souvenir. Mr Nolan a few years ago visited Ireland, where he was born, on his return from a pilgrimage to Rome.

The Eastern Star chapter which is holding biweekly dancing parties at the Masonic temple for the young people held one of the most enjoyable ones Friday evening, the second in the course.

Eugene E. Cota, 67, for many years an employe of the Gage basket factory in North Westminster, died last week in the Brattleboro Memorial hospital. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias of Bellows Falls and the burial was in Oak Hill cemetery here Sunday afternoon. He is survived by three children and three brothers.

A canvass is being made of Bellows Falls for a new town and village directory by Kenyon Crooks of Fitchburg, Mass., and Paul Miner of Rumford, Me. The last issue was March, 1930.

The state highway department of New Hampshire has decided to spend $200,000 the coming season on the highway between North Walpole and Charlestown.

Owen Sullivan, who has been for several weeks the night chef at the depot restaurant, identified Mrs Beryl I. Ballou who had been missing from her home in North Springfield for several days and for whom the police in this vicinity had been making an active search. She had remained in the station here all the night before and Mr Sullivan recognized her as she was boarding a north bound train the next afternoon. She had been in Keene, N. H., and the police of this vicinity and Keene had been hunting for her. She left a husband, George Ballou, and four small children after, it is alleged, she had quarrelled with Ballou She did not object to returning to her family.

Co E of the National Guard has arranged for a benefit basket ball game at the armory December 16 with a team from Brattleboro. The proceeds are to be turned over to the local unemployment relief committee.

HAVERHILL GAZETTE 12/6/31

MASACHUSETTS STATE FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS—James M. Curley, mayor of Boston, and Edward A. Filene, economist, will speak at the conference of the Fourth and Sixth districts of the Federation Wednesday, Dec. 9, at 9:45 a. m., in the ball room of Hotel Statler, Boston. Mayor Curley will bring the city's greetings to the morning session, speaking on "Women's Clubs as a Civic Asset." Mr. Filene will address the afternoon session on "Mass Production and the Consumer's Dollar."

Among the divisions whose activities will be presented in the morning, that of Cooperation with War Veterans, Mrs. Walter H. Woods, chairman, will be featured and there will be a Christmas sale of articles fashioned by disabled veterans.

Mrs. Joseph A. Mahoney will open her studio at 82 Chestnut street, on Beacon Hill, Boston, Thursday, Dec. 10 from 10:30 to 3:30 for a conference of conservation committees of the Massachusetts State Federation of Women's clubs.

ATTLEBORO SUN 12/5/31

SAYS MAYOR USED WRONG CORPSE

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Leadership

Columbus Club News Dec 31

Regardless of what our politics may be we will have to take off our hat to Mayor Curley for his most constructive campaign for the unemployed. While private contributions are acceptable not once has he asked for it. His foresight was demonstrated last June when in an address in Charlestown he said: "Unless our government does something to relieve the present situation next winter will be the worst in history." How well this seems to be true. He has been one step ahead of the entire country in this respect.

NEWS-TRIBUNE 12/4/31

Weston People Will Be There Ir Numbers

Mrs. William C. Conant of Weston and Miss L. G. Dietrich of Hillside street, Waltham, are early subscribers for the "brilliant divertissement' which Jacques Cartier, internationally famous dancer, is offering in the ballroom of the Hotel Statler, Tuesday afternoon, December 8, under the auspices of the Women's Educational and Industrial Union to benefit the three free employment bureaus for women maintained by this organization. Sponsors for the performance include Governor Joseph B. Ely, Mayor James M. Curley, Hon. William Phillips and Hon. Eliot Wadsworth, representing State, City and Federal officitals who are work on the unemployment problem.

Jacques Cartier, the artist of the occasion, has been enthusiastically compared by Europeans to the great Russian dancer, Nijinsky, while critics in Paris, Berlin, London and Madrid proclaim him America's greatest contribution since Issadora Duncan. For in spite of his French name and the accident of foreign birth, Mr. Cartier is an American and is particularly proud of his American-Indian dances which he acquired while living for eighteen months among the Hopi trible in order to be able to write their history for the Smithsonian Institute. His Statler program will be given with three assisting artists, but he himself is the dominating figure of every number, whether, Spanish, Japanese, Chinese, Viennese, Harlemite, Dominican or Indian. The weird and haunting Congo Voodoo Dance, which is the climax of his program, is described as "a jungle piece compact of primitiveness and barbaric grandeur."

Tickets may be obtained at Herrick's or at the Main Office of the Union, 264 Boylston street, telephone Kenmore 5651

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/4/31

District Conference in Boston Wednesday.

James M. Curley, mayor of Boston and Edward A. Filene, world economist, will be the leading speakers at the conference of the fourth and sixth Districts of the State Federation Wednesday morning in the ball room of the Hotel Statler, Boston. Mayor Curley will bring the city's greetings to the morning session, speaking on "Women's Clubs as a Civic Asset." Mr. Filene will address the afternoon session on "Mass Production and the Consumer's Dollar."

Mrs. Frederick E. Judd of Southampton and Boston, and Mrs. Stewart A. Colpitts of Allston, directors of the two districts, will share presiding honors. Distinguished guests will include Mrs. Carl L. Schrader of Belmont, state president and Mrs. Arthur Devens Potter of Greenfield, director of the General Federation.

A song rally will be staged for Mrs. Grace Morrison Poole, candidate for president of the General Federation as one of the features of the luncheon period. Reservations for luncheon must be secured not later than Dec. 7 of Mrs. Stewart A. Colpitts, 15 Allston Street, Allston.

SPRINGFIELD-UNION 12/4/31

Curley Appoints Rep. A. B. Casson

Dorchester Man Is Named Associate Legislative Agent for Boston.

Special to The Springfield Union.

BOSTON, Dec. 3—Rep. Abraham B. Casson of Dorchester was today named by Mayor Curley associate legislative agent for the city of Boston, to succeed the late Judge Thomas H. Bilodeau and to work with Edward D. Collins of South Boston, who retains his position, on behalf of the city. Mr. Casson, who is a Republican, will immediately resign from the Legislature. His salary will be $5000 a year and his work will begin Jan. 1.

Rep. Casson is one of the most popular members of the Legislature, of which he has been a member for the last five years, representing the 12th Suffolk district. He has been prominently identified with many important matters and as chairman of the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading has been charged with the important duty of passing on all legislation before final approval.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN

Encouragment of building, as per plans of Mayor Curley, of Boston, may be one way to aid unemployment, and there unquestionably are building projects which ought to be put through while building materials are cheap and labor in the building trades is somewhat less costly than it was. So far, however, as private construction is concerned ordinary observation of "for sale" and "to let" signs in Boston and its suburbs might lead to a conclusion that eastern Massachusetts is already grossly overbuilt. Too many cubic feet have been roofed in for housing of a population which either is not increasing or is nearly stationary. If, of course, a number of modern apartment houses were to be built in the city of Boston, in accordance with the mayoral plan, they might while new find tenants drawn from older urban houses and from the suburban towns. They would not subtract from the rather depressing spectacle of unoccupied property which greets the wayfarer at almost every point of the metropolitan map.

SALEM NEWS 12/4/31

Mayor Curley says that if anyone sings "Sweet Adeline" he is liable to be considered a terrible drinker. Perhaps that is one reason that made the song so popular.

WORCESTER POST 12/5/31

Mayor Curley and Edward A. Filene to Address Club Women

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, and Edward A. Filene, world economist, will be the leading speakers at a conference of the fourth and sixth districts of the Massachusetts State Federation of Women's Clubs Wednesday at 9.45 a. m., in the ballroom of Hotel Statler, Boston. Mayor Curley will bring the city's greetings to the morning session, speaking on "Women's Clubs as a Civic Asset." Mr. Filene will address the afternoon session on "Mass Production and the Consumer's Dollar."

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CONCORD MONITOR 12/5/31

Buried Wrong Guy, Mayor Curley Told

BOSTON, Dec. 5 (AP)—Leslie Fletcher, the chauffeur who recently drove Mayor Curley at the head for a funeral cortege for "General D. Pression," is of the opinion that they "buried the wrong guy."

Fletcher was personal driver to the mayor during the "funeral", which ended with a casket bearing "General D. Pression" being dumped into Boston Harbor.

The chauffeur returned to the offices to his employers, an automobile agency, after the services to find that he was laid off "until better times."

He wrote the following to the mayor:

"Don't be surprised if you get tried for murder. You and I buried the wrong guy. It was General D. Pression's chauffeur who passed away."

CAMBRIDGE SUN 12/3/31

Robart Answers Mayor Curley On Coal Costs

Following a statement from Mayor Curley last week in which he said that Ralph W. Robart, director of the division on the necessaries of life, had been "evasive" when questioned about the retail price of coal. Director Robart made public the following answer giving the result of his investigation of retail prices of coal in Greater Boston:

Robart Answers

Dear Mr. Mayor: I have delayed answering your letter of November 10 requesting an investigation of coal prices in the Boston district, which was supplemented on November 17 to include a letter from one of the Boston dealers, to allow us the opportunity of communicating with each dealer in this district for the purpose of verifying current retail prices. Please be assured that this division is in hearty accord with your desire to reduce the price of coal. However, we find upon checking up that present day conditions have apparently been misrepresented to you.

Coal, from the standpoint of the consumer, is in a more wholesome condition competitively than at any time since the war. Prior to last Spring retail prices were fairly uniform, although the division was unable to find any evidence of an understanding between dealers for establishing prices. It is our opinion that the smaller dealers in Greater Boston have based their selling prices upon those charged by the larger companies in the Boston district.

Anthracite coal, unlike most other necessary commodities, has but one source of domestic supply — the coal mines of Pennsylvania, the operators of which have a fixed price for coal at wholesale. At the present time this price is $8 per net ton at the mines for stove and nut coal; adding to this the rail rate per carload lot of $3.82 per net ton, we find the cost of coal on board freight in Boston to be $11.82 per ton. It is therefore very easy to determine the gross profit of the retailer, which varies at the present time from $2.18 to $3.18 per ton. The latter figure, which is based on prices charged by the majority of dealers, is for coal selling at $15 per ton.

The so-called uniform price which is being maintained today by approximately 75% of the Boston dealers is $1.25 per ton less than the corresponding period a year ago. Due to a change in the wholesale market from gross to net ton, posted prices would appear to be much less than last year. The actual reduction, however, at wholesale, according to Anthracite Circular Prices, is 17c per ton. The retail dealers of Boston have reduced their gross profit approximately $1.08 per ton from last year. The division finds that 25 p. c. of the dealers in the Boston district are selling anthracite coal from $14 to $14.75 per ton; all sales in these instances are made on a strictly cash basis.

The local dealer whose letter you enclosed to me failed to call your attention to the fact that the price concession offered by his company was for orders of two tons or more and for cash. Although the division considers the reduced price a move in the right direction, we are of the opinion in this instance that this company should have presented all of the facts to you, as published accounts of this nature are misleading to the public. Under present conditions a very small proportion of the people have sufficient funds available to pay cash for coal in two ton lots. Many of the dealers in the Boston district are offering coal at reduced prices and will deliver as low as one-half ton lots. It is quite apparent that the consumers of Massachusetts have taken the matter of providing fuel for heatng their homes into their own hands, as is evidenced by the tremendous diversion from anthracite to other fuels in the past nine years. In 1921 there was an annual per capita consumption of domestic anthracite of 1.6 tons, which has been reduced to one ton per capita for the 1930-1931 year. During the 1921-1922 coalyear Boston District consumed 2,200,000 tons of domestic anthracite, as compared with a consumption of 1,677,000 tons for the 1930-1931 year, notwithstanding the fact that the population has increased in this area approximately 290,000 in this period. This substantial reduction in the use of domestic anthracite, which corresponds somewhat with conditions in other parts of the country, has caused much concern in the Pennsylvania mining areas, which is partly responsible for the appointment of a commission known as the Greater Pennsylvania Council, a representative of which called upon me this past summer to determine the reason for the tremendous decrease in the use of anthracite and to seek a solution for overcoming this condition. I assured him at the time that lower wholesale prices were the solution and that the people of Massachusetts would continue to heat their homes with efficient substitutes at least until such time as anthracite coal could be purchased as reasonable or cheaper than other fuels.

It is quite evident that the retail coal dealers are combining the brains and ingenuity of the industry in an endeavor to rehabilitate themselves. Numerous services are extended the consumer and, as related before, price concessions are offered in an effort to build up sales volume. I sincerely hope that the conditions which resulted in a monopoly detrimental to the consumer up to a very few years ago have changed sufficiently to convince the Pennsylvania operators that a substantial wholesale price reduction is necessary to insure an increased consumption of anthracite in this commonwealth.

From the standpoint of labor, we naturally would like to see the Pennsylvania mines operating at capacity as there is a natural reciprocity between the commonwealths. A recent survey showed that the anthracite producing area of Pennsylvania uses more than $1,000,000 worth of goods daily which are manufactured in the New England states. Anthracite is mined only to meet current demand Lower wholesale prices will result in an increased consumption and will afford the miners of Pennsylvania steadier employment.

This division is much concerned with the problem of supplying fuel at reasonable prices to the thousands of families in the Boston district whose circumstances necessitate the purchase of coal in twenty-five pound bags which retail at from 20c to 25c per bag.

Our recent survey shows the consumption of a half a million bags last month in Boston proper The winter months will undoubtedly increase the demand for bag fuel.

Many of the people who can least afford to pay excessive prices, which are necessarily high because of the bagging process and the duplicity of handling, are required to purchase coal in this way because of abnormal economic circumstances. It would appear to me that the city of Boston could perform a real humanitarian service if arrangements could be made to purchase coal at wholesale and distribute it at cost in small quantity lots at schoolhouses, fire stations,

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LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 12/1/31

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Protests Alleged Statement Holy Cross Game Was "Racket"

Athletic Association Resents Ridiculing of Charity Arrangements

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SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 12/1/31

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police stations and other municipal buildings during the coming winter months. and I respectfully suggest that the law which allows cities and towns to distribute necessaries at reasonable rates during times of emergency and distress be taken advantage of in this instance.

Please be assured that this division is happy to cooperate with you at all times.

Very truly yours,
RALPH W. ROBART,
Director

12/6/31
SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN

Charity Football

Post-season football as a means of raising money for the unemployed will have today the principal test of its earning power. If the revenue falls below expectations the generosity of undergraduates and public need not be impugned. The football season may merely have been prolonged beyond the disposition, and perhaps beyond the financial capacity, of undergraduates and public to absorb its offerings.

Discussion has arisen over the unsatisfactory financial results of the Boston college-Holy Cross game, which was a contest in the regular season between old and seasoned rivals, though played in an unusual place and not on the usual day. The arrangements, which in retrospect do not seem to have been altogether businesslike, were made by Mayor Curley of Boston. But Mayor Curley's principal mistake was in overestimating the power of football as a magnet for the public.

There has been a fairly general assumption that attendance at games between established rivals or even newly found rivals would be limited only by the seating capacity of concrete or wooden stands. A Harvard graduate, expressing displeasure because Harvard's football team participated in no charity contests, suggested in the Harvard Alumni Bulletin that a game in the stadium with Northwestern, Notre Dame or Pittsburg "would easily 'bring a gate of $250,000."

Attendance at leading games last week does not bear out his rosy estimate. Such a game would be at best an exhibition game, without the element of seasoned rivalry and association which gives college football its chief lure. Dartmouth and Stanford, which are not natural rivals, drew about 40,000 to the Harvard stadium, and Yale and Princeton, which are natural rivals, drew only 36,000 to the Yale bowl —or half the number who could be accommodated in seats.

With Yale playing Princeton after Thanksgiving the season was already prolonged, and participation in charity football prolongs it still further. It is not certain that this extension of the season is relished by players, undergraduates and graduates, though there is a generous desire to help the funds for unemployment relief. The colleges will, perhaps, be glad to return to normal seasons and established rivals. If it is still desirable another year that football should contribute to charity, a percentage of the receipts at regular games might be devoted to the purpose.

BOSTON ENTERPRISE 12/6/31

FOURTH AND SIXTH DISTRICTS PLAN JOINT CONFERENCE DEC. 9



MRS. FREDERICK E. JUDD.

BOSTON ENTERPRISE 12/5/31

Prof. Hart's estimate of George Washington is as unimportant, so far as influencing public opinion, as Mayor Curley's estimate of Mr. Hoover.

Mayor Curley and E. A. Filene to Speak.

Hon. James M. Curley, mayor of Boston, and Edward A. Filene, world economist, will be the leading speakers at the conference of the Fourth and Sixth districts of the Massachusetts State Federation of Women's Clubs, Wednesday, Dec. 9, at 9:45 A. M. in the ball room of Hotel Statler, Boston. Mayor Curley will bring the city's greetings to the morning session, speaking on "Women's Clubs as a Civic Asset." Mr. Filene will address the afternoon session on "Mass Production and the Consumer's Dollar."

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Among the several divisions whose activities will be presented in the morning, that of co-operation with war veterans, Mrs. Walter H. Woods, chairman, will be featured and there will be a Christmas sale of articles fashioned by disabled veterans.

Round tables will precede luncheon served in the foyer at 12:30 o'clock. A song rally for Mrs. Grace Morrison Poole, candidate for president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, will be staged as a tribute to her honorary membership in the hostess New Hampshire's Daughters. Luncheon reservations must be secured not later than Dec. 7 of Mrs. Stewart A. Colpitts, 15 Allston street, Allston, or Mrs. Frank H. Cole, 19 Cary avenue, Chelsea.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 12/9/31

CURLEY THREATENS TO BAR N. Y. MILK FROM BOSTON

Tells State Grange That National Dairy Products Company Wants Supreme Control in This Territory

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FALL RIVER HERALD-NEWS 12/9/31

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SPRINGFIELD NEWS 12/9/31

HUB STATEMENT ABOUT MILK CUT HERE ANSWERED

Direct answer to a statement made by William F. Willmann, general superintendent of the Whiting Milk company, at a meeting of dealers with Mayor James M. Curley Monday night, in connection with the Springfield milk situation was made at the meeting of dealers and producers here Monday night. Mr Willmann charged that "the party to tell why the price was cut in Springfield is the New England Milk Producers' association —the farmers themselves."

The answer was made that the local sales and marketing committee of the N. E. M. P. A. was confronted by threats by prominent distributors i nthe vicinity that if the price cut was not accepted, milk would be imported from New York state and Vermont in quantities which would make the local production unnecessary.

Members of the marketing commission of the local unit of the New England group stated that they were confronted with organizations which they knew could and would back up their threats and that they were forced to "take what we could for the milk."

BURLINGTON VT FREE-PRESS 12/9/31

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QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 12/9/31

CURLEY IN CAPITAL ON HARBOR PLAN

To Lunch With Bay State Solons Today

Special to the Telegram

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9. — Mayor James M. Curley of Boston accompanied by his social secretary, Thomas L. Johnson, his daughter, Miss Mary Curley, and his private secretary arrived here today to attend the sessions of the waterways congress and to confer with the members of the Massachusetts delegation in the House.

He was at the capital this afternoon and posed for photographers. Tomorrow he will attend a luncheon party to which all the members of the Bay State delegation have been invited. Senator Walsh will be host.

The mayor is seeking a congressional appropriation of a million dollars for the improvement and development of Boston harbor, to make the harbor the finest in the world and to aid the unemployed. He will solicit the support of the Bay State delegation for this project.

He has been advised, however, that there is not the slightest possibility of getting such a bill through Congress at this session, unless there is a general rivers and harbors bill, of which there is no present prospect. Even then, the proposal would have slim chance of running the congressional gauntlet. RICHARDS.

MANCHESTER N.H. UNION 12/9/31

Curley Charges Milk Moropoly is Aim in Below-Cost Selling

Price Would Be Boosted Sky-High, He Says, If National Dairy Could Drive Out Competition

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QUINCY NEWS 12/9/31

Mayor Curley Pays Tribute To Dr. Kendall

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, at a recent testimonial dinner in honor of the 77th birthday of Dr. Walter J. Kendall, called the Quincyite the nation's finest amateur sportsman and further pointed out his many accomplishments as horticulturalist, breeder of dogs and man of letters.

The complete text of Curley's speech follows:

"We are assembled to pay our tribute of love and affection to Dr. Walter Gardner Kendall, upon the occasion of his 77th birthday and to voice an appropriate tribute to a gentleman who serves as a ray of sunshine in an often clouded community.

"We realize that Dr. Kendall is one of this country's finest amateur sportsmen.

"For over 50 years he has been loved and admired by leaders in the world of amateur sport, horticulture and literature and has been an especially generous sponsor in the development of the game of Massachusetts golf.

"He was one of the founders of the Boston Athletic association, which enjoys a reputation unexcelled in this country, as a place where men engaged in the daily direction of great business enterprises are able to secure athletic recreation under the finest auspices.

Leads Bicycle Club

"For over 50 years he has also been the captain and leading sponsor of the Boston Bicycle club, and gave to this pastime, one of the finest ever developed for genuine recreation, the benefit of his commanding personality.

"Even now he is able to lead the hardy veterans of the wheel on the annual tour about the city of Boston and which is one of our most delightful athletic events for men of ripened years.

"In the cultivation of the American grape, Dr. Kendall rightfully stands as one of the leaders of horticultural life in this nation. He has devoted many years to the perfection of this delicious fruit, until the grapes of his raising are unequalled in horticulture.

"He has aided materially those who are interested in the game of golf, possibly the finest recreation that is known for business men in the life of greater Boston.

"The Wollaston Golf club will, in my judgment, stand as a living memorial to Dr. Kendall.

"He has brought members of his own dental profession, newspaper men and those in every walk of life to see the benefits to be derived sunny afternoons, upon the golf courses which abound near Boston, and every golfer in the community owes Dr. Kendall a lasting debt of honor.

"Thorugh the influence of Dr. Kendall the annual boxing tournaments of the Boston Athletic association have become the finest tribute to the manly art of boxing this country has probably ever known. From the time of the inauguration of these tournaments Dr. Kendall has been a constant ringside attendant to see that every amateur boxer received fair play.

Formed Walking Club

"He organized and developed a club, for men reaching their senior years, to engage in the splendid recreation of walking along our charming country-side, where nature can ever be witnessed at her best, and offering pleasure to hundreds of men, not only from a fine recreational pastime but in the true companionship of their fellow men.

"Dr. Kendall is one of the descendants of the Pilgrims, who landed at Plymouth Rock in 1620, and bears the same rugged personality, strength of purpose, honor and conviction which marked his formidable ancestry.

"He is a true son of the founders and ever worthy of our consideration as the highest type of American gentleman.

"The interest of Dr. Kendall in the advancement of the Massachusetts militia, insofar as the perfection of our reserve forces in military science and tactics is concerned, that they be prepared for every national emergency is another debt of honor owed him. This is a tribute to the genuine Americanism of our guest.

"Dr. Kendall is a prominent breeder of Boston Terriers and French Bulldogs and has given a lifetime of service for the successful raising of a high type of dog, which is man's sincerest friend.

"He has further, from time to time, essayed the literary field, where his delightful contributions in poetry and prose provide a lifetime memorial.

"The spirit of this delightful event is that beyond the fact that in honoring Dr. Kendall, on his 77th birthday, we pay our tribute of affection to a leader in the many-sided activities of life.

"Dr. Kendall has embraced no field in his busy life's activities which he has not honored by his fine intelligence, character and devotion. He stands as an American minute man in every realm of human good, human understanding and human accomplishment.

WORCESTER POST 12/10/31

Farmers Faced With Crisis in The Milk War

Now Selling Milk at Price Below the Cost of Production

Farmers of this county are faced with serious difficulties because of the reduction in price of milk paid them by dealers from five and one-half cents to five cents, voted last night at a meeting of the Worcester County marketing committee of the New England Milk Producers' Association and directors of the Worcester County Dairymen's Association. The half cent reduction, it was learned, brings the price of milk per quart more than a cent below the cost of production in this county.

To add to the predicament county farmers are now completing the state tuberculosis testing of herds which places a heavy financial burden on many although the state and federal governments pay the major part of the cost of replacing cattle if found suffering from tuberculosis.

According to figures compiled by the Massachusetts State College, farm bureau division, the cost of producing milk in this area is $.0617 per quart, average.

To feed cows the farmer must pay 58.4 percent of this sum and the combined cost of labor and feed amounts to 82.8 percent of the $.0617 per quart.

In addition to the cost of feed and labor, the farmer must pay the expense of transporting his milk in cans to the dealer, it was said at the Worcester County Extension Service. This averages approximately one and one-half cent per quart.

Other Expenses

Other expenses of the farmer now include heavy taxes on property and cows, upkeep of buildings to meet Worcester milk inspection regulations, cost of equipment and depreciation in the value of both cattle and buildings and medical attention for cattle.

According to dairy experts at the extension service farmers in this county depending on the towns in which their farms are located have a heavier tax burden to bear than any other class of people. All property owned by the farmer, practically, is taxable, it was said.

No estimate could be made as to the number of farmers in this county who are actively engaged, and dependent on their milk business, because many own only one or two cows and do not deal in milk.

But according to the 1930 federal census this county has one quarter of all cattle in Massachusetts. There are more than 49,000 in all in addition to a number of calves which were not counted. A large percentage of milk producing cattle are included in this figure, it was said.

Conditions have always been bad for the producer, it was learned, but by rigid economy he has always been able to get by. But with prices lower than they have been in many years and with the price of labor higher than in pre-war days the farmer is in desperate straits.

Cost of Labor

The extension service experts asserted that the cost of labor in practically all of the county milk could not be checked against the cost of production under the price of five cents a quart.

Conditions were pictured where a farmer will have his whole family working at no other return to themselves than the cost of meals and lodging. No luxuries may be afforded and the situation is growing more and more desperate, Walter Shaw, dairy agent of the extension service said.

Labor costs by the larger producers are assimilated in the increased production by the farmer, Mr. Shaw said. Nevertheless, he stated, the big producers of this county are hit as hard as the smaller farmers.

The close dependency by producer on dealer and the dealer on producer was described by the county dairy agent, who said that if the dealer could not maintain his spread (the margin between the price paid by him to the producer and that received by him from the consumer), the dealer would run into financial difficulties which might result in financial disaster not only to the dealer, but to the farmer as well.

Figures at the Worcester County Extension Service today revealed that approximately 90,000 quarts of milk are sold in this city every day.

87 Percent

Of this total, 87.5 percent is provided by county dealers. This amounts to approximately 75,000 quarts per day. The amount of milk sold in the county could not be estimated although it was said that the ratio between the population of Worcester and that of Worcester County is the same.

It was pointed out that Worcester producers ship vast amounts of milk to Boston, and Springfield. No figures were available as to the amount shipped.

Mr. Shaw said, however, that the producers of this county could supply any and all demands for production to fill the needs of Worcester and Worcester County cities and towns without in any way interfering with their milk export trade.

Figures on the amount of cream and butter produced by Worcester County farmers were not available and it was said that because of the absence of a check on these items, no estimate as to the value of cream and butter-fat content could be made.

The one-half cent reduction voted by the milkmen who held a closed meeting in the offices of the extension service, last night, will not affect the new local price of milk to consumers. This reduction is absorbed in the two cents decrease voted by the Worcester Milk Dealers' Association Monday after the Whiting Milk Company had set the pace by reducing prices of milk delivered to 10 cents per quart from 12 cents. Keeping pace with this reduction the price in stores per quart dropped to nine cents per quart and indications are that these prices will be standard until a stabilization of the milk business is effected.

The status of the Whiting Company in this city is as a large independent concern not affiliated with the dealers' association which controls the majority of milk in the Worcester market.

Monopoly

The situation has been described by both producers and dealers as an attempt by the National Dairy Products Company to gain a monopoly of the milk business in this state and in this city.

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston in an address before the Massachusetts State Grange, Tuesday, also made this charge and asserted that the Whiting company was responsible for the drop to five cents to farmers through a threat that milk from the Sheffield Farms Co., of New York would be thrown into the market at a price under five cents to Boston dealers unless producers reduce their prices.

James A. Willmann, a director of the Whiting company denied this charge.

A local dealer yesterday said that he understood that Mr. Willmann was closely affiliated in business with Thomas H. McInerny, president of the National Dairy Products Co.

Today a milk expert declared that both the Whiting Company and the National Dairy Products Company had an interest in the Sheffield Farms. The local manager of the Whiting Company could not be reached this morning for a statement.

Reports at last night's milk meeting that chain stores in this city would follow the lead of Boston chain stores in reducing milk to eight cents a quart to producers could not be affirmed. No orders have been received here by store managers to put this into effect.

Rep. William Casey of Spencer, president of the Worcester Dairymen's Association today may present a resolution adopted by the meeting last night that the Worcester board of health strictly enforce milk inspection laws of the local board on out-of-state milk. It was agreed the surplus from Vermont and other states has been an important factor in the present price situation.

The Board of Health and Mayor O'Hara will give a hearing to the milk producers tomorrow at City Hall, Chairman Edward H. Trowbridge announced at noon today. The exact time has not been decided and will depend upon other appointments of the Mayor and the board.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 12/10/31

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY MILK PRODUCERS NAME COMMITTEE

The Hampshire County Milk Producers' Association, which met 125 strong in Memorial hall, Northampton, last ngiht, appointed three of its members to represent the county on a committee formed by three Valley counties to confer with dealers and distributors for stabilization of the milk market.

The major dealers will meet tonight in Hotel Kimball, Springfield, to choose a committee to meet the farmers' representatives in an effort to end the orgy of price-cutting that has swept over the Massachusetts milk market to the detriment of the producers.

The Hampshire County men are Joseph Cook and Ezra Shaw, both of Hadley, and Charles Bisbee of Chesterfield. Charles Norris of Westhampton presided.

Speakers included Quentin Reynolds, manager of the Eastern States Farmers' Exchange, Springfield, and a member of the special milk commission which was recently appointed by Commissioner A. W. Gilbert of the Department of Agriculture.

Besides electing the three men to represent the local dairy association on the bargaining committee, it was voted to send a communication to Mayor James M. Curley of Boston commending his recent stand and efforts to exclude milk produce outside the State from being sold in that city.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 12/10/31

MILK "ULTIMATUM" REPORT REPEATED; 6 COMPANIES NAMED

Officials Confirm the Report of the Local Dealers' Warning

A direct statement that several large distributors in this vicinity had threatened to import milk unless the New England Milk Producers' association came down to a 5 cent f. o. b., Springfield price for "fluid milk," was made last night at a meeting of the Hampshire County Milk Producers' association at Northampton. George Barrus of Goshen, a director of the N. E. M. P. A. made the statement and added that the buyers of milk stated that 12,000 quarts of milk would be left on the hands of the producers if the cut was not made.

Wilbur T. Locke of the Hampden County Improvement league stated here yesterday that General Ice Cream, Hood, Nash and Mallory were among the distributors who requested that the drop in milk price be made.

One member of the marketing and sales committee of the producers' association for Springfield stated that a letter from V. F. Hovey, an official of the General Ice Cream and a director of the National Dairy Products corporation, of which General Ice Cream is a subsidiary, was read at the meeting by G. B. Platt, local representative for General Ice Cream.

The letter was reported as reading to the effect that General Ice Cream was in a position to buy milk more cheaply elsewhere, and that, unless the cut was made, would do so. The subsidiary of National Dairy Products corporation complained that independent dealers were buying milk more cheaply than itself, and that it could not afford to stand such competition. The member of the committee said that no mention was made of milk being imported from New York state, but that it was known that Sheffield Farms, a large subsidiary in New York state of National Dairy Products corporation, was in a position to furnish the local market with New York milk.

S. O. Russell of Brimfield, another member of the committee, confirmed the report that an "ultimatum" was delivered to the effect that if the price cut was not accepted, in order that the corporations could meet the prices of the "small" dealers, it would get its milk "elsewhere." He was of the opinion that the farmers are more or less to blame for the situation because of the fact that they are afraid to take on a milk contract to sell their product on a "rating and surplus" basis. This method, he asserted, allowed the farmer a certain quality and quantity rating for his milk which was to be used for "fluid" or bottle milk. Any amount over and above this amount would be accepted at a cheaper price for "cream" milk. The farmer, he pointed out, seems to be more willing to sell his product on a flat price, which is lower than the fluid price.

A third member of the committee asserted that the "ultimatum" of the distributors was "apparently a move to try out the cooperatives and to see their strength." He indicated that with meetings being held in the three counties supplying Springfield with milk, the cooperatives will soon be in a position to wield the "club" of their "bargaining association."

Committee Appointed to Aid Organization

Northampton, Dec. 10—The Hampshire County Milk Producers' association, with an attendance of 125 at Memorial hall last night, voted to appoint a committee of three to join with three from the Hampden county association and three from the Franklin county association in planning the organization of a bargaining association of the milk producers in the Connecticut valley within the state boundaries, and tributaries.

The committee comprised Joseph Cook, Ezra Shaw of Hadley, and Charles Bisbee of Chesterfield.

The presiding officer was Charles M. Norris of West Hampton, president of the association, and the clerk was the secretary, Josiah W. Parsons, Jr., of Northampton. The first speaker was Allan Leland, agent of the Hampshire County Extension service, who presented recent developments which have included the signing of a pledge for support of the proposed association by 1166 producers, including 433 in Hampden county, 349 in Hampshire, and 386 in Franklin county.

Quentin Reynolds of the Eastern States Farmers' exchange said that the assertion of the dealers that the producers must have an organization if they wished to engage in bargaining was about to be met. Mr Reynolds said that prices were so low that such an association would have the support of the public, because prices below cost of production mean bankruptcy, and bankruptcy for the milk producer means less trading in the city stores, grief for the city people who have relatives on the farms and inability of the farmers to pay municipal, county and state taxes. The problem in hand, Mr Reynolds continued, is not the milk producers' problem alone.

Cites Denmark's Example

Prof J. H. Frandsen of the Massachusetts State college told of his recent observations in Denmark, where 90 per cent milk producing and selling business is organized. Stable organization is the best hope of the Connecticut valley, Prof Frandsen asserted. General business, the dealers and the consumers all profit from steady prices and the unvarying quality which cooperative selling promotes.

Prof E. W. Bell of the Massachusetts State college spoke on the methods of cooperative bargaining. He said the Federal Land bank of Springfield had done well thus far in this period of depression, but that present milk prices would be likely to inflict soon on this bank difficulties that other Land banks are experiencing with unfavorable effects on general conditions in the valley. Sound cooperative methods, Prof Bell asserted, mean not only reasonable prices but efficient delivery and good quality.

George L. Barrus of Goshen, a member of the executive committee of the N. E. M. P. A., explained that the recent cut of two cents in the price of milk authorized by the committee was made under a threat that the buyers would obtain milk from New York state and leave 12,000 quarts of milk a day on the hands of the producers.

It was voted that Mayor Curley of Boston be sent a message of appreciation of the position taken by him in the present milk controversy.

Move to End Price War in Rhode Island

Providence, R. I., Dec. 9—(AP)—Milk producers and distributors of this state tentatively agreed at the State House today to end the milk-price war as far as Rhode Island is concerned by setting up conferences between the local sales committee of the New England Milk Producers' association and distributors to restore the base price level in this territory to a reasonable point so as to enable the dairymen to "stay in business."

Commissioner of Agriculture Harry R. Lewis said that Providence and the Rhode Island milk shed from now on shall be considered as a separate proposition in price fixing from the rest of New England, and that he, with the approval of all concerned, will set himself up as state milk administrator, with an arbitration board of three, to pass upon disputes which may arise in the future.

NORTHAMPTON GAZETTE 12/10/31

TO DISCUSS FAIR 6 PRICE FOR MILK

Committee of Dairymen from Three Western Counties Will Confer With Dealers

COUNTY MEETING HELD

Increased Membership, and Forming of State Group Are Favored

The Hampshire County Dairymen's association, in a largely attended meeting last night in Memorial hall, voted to appoint a committee of three to act with similar committees from dairymen of Franklin and Hampden to confer with dealers relative to a fair price for milk. The committee named comprises Joseph Cook and Ezra Shaw of Hadley and Charles A. Bisbee of Chesterfield.

The association also passed a vote, on motion of Mr. Shaw, that the secretary, Josiah W. Parsons, Jr., of Northampton, write a letter of appreciation to Mayor James M. Curley of Boston for his stand in behalf of the dairy industry of Massachusetts in his effort to bar milk from out of the state. It was also voted that directors of the association in the various towns of the county work to stimulate interest in the organization and increase the membership. Charles M. Norris of Westhampton, president of the association, presided.

GREENFIELD RECORDER
12/9/31

Curley Pledges Grange To Bar New York Milk From Boston

An embargo against western milk and cream, to be enforced by health edict, is the answer the Massachusetts Grange would invoke in the crisis created for the dairy industry in the state by a rapidly receding milk price.

A study of the dairy problem, presented to the Grange at the opening session of its state convention in the Bradford hotel, Boston, Tuesday, showed both the volume of Massachusetts milk and the price paid for it have been cut in halves since 1921, while Vermont milk for the Boston market has doubled in volume and western cream has come up from one per cent to 26 per cent of the entire supply.

For failure of the Vermont creameries to cooperate with the New England Milk Producers' association in a central marketing agency, and failure of state and Boston authorities to regulate importation of distant cream, the Grange committee blames the fact that milk prices have fallen in the eastern part of the state since last week to the lowest level since 1911.

Mayor Curley of Boston was greeted with tremendous applause by the rural delegates at the convention as he gave them an inside version of the milk war, and declared he would frustrate any attempt to bring in New York state milk to Boston. He had instructed the Boston city health department the mayor said, to keep out all milk not subject to the Boston inspectors, who have confined their inspecting to the New England milk shed.

On the basis of figures prepared by Massachusetts State college, Amherst, Sumner R. Parker said the average cost of producing a quart of milk in Massachusetts exclusive of handling costs, is 6.17 cents per quart.

Harvey Turner of Andover, chairman of the special dairy committee of the Massachusetts State Grange recommended the Grange support a bill requiring all cream from outside the state, exclusive of cream used for manufacturing purposes, to be submitted to the same rigid inspection as cream from within the state.

Gov. Ely, Ex-Gov. Brewster of Maine, Com. Payson Smith of the state department of education and President Roscoe W. Thatcher of M. S. C. were scheduled to address the Grange Wednesday.

DAIRYMEN ELECT

Hampden county dairymen elected a bargaining committee of three to meet with dealers selling in Springfield and Connecticut valley towns, at a massmeeting Tuesday night in the Hampden County Improvement League building. Clarence Brown of Brimfield, president of the Hampden County Dairymens' association, Frank Hulette of East Longmeadow, and Philip Hall of Southwick will compose the county committee which will cooperate with similar committees to be chosen by the dairymen of Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester counties to work with the dealers on the problem of stabilizing milk prices in the valley markets.

PLAN WORCESTER MEETING

WORCESTER, Dec. 9—Worcester County Milk Producers' association members will meet Wednesday night to discuss the milk price war.

MEET BOSTON PRICE

MONTPELIER, Vt., Dec. 9—Representatives of eleven cooperative creameries in Vermont met here Tuesday afternoon with Commissioner of Agriculture Edward H. Jones, and after debate, announced that they would meet the N. E. M. P. A. Boston price of five cents a quart.

ALOOF IN PRICE WAR

FALL RIVER, Dec. 9—Charles P. Davis, secretary of the Fall River Milk Dealers' association, Tuesday issued a statement announcing that members of the local association are not interested in the price war going on in other sections of New England.

INCORPORATE FIRM

BOSTON, Dec. 9 — Papers of incorporation of the Turners Falls Coal Co. Inc., have been filed here, naming Philip D. Shanahan as president and treasurer and Marie E. Shanahan and Jeremiah T. Shanahan as incorporators. Capitalization is for $100.000.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 12/9/31

ANNUAL SESSION OF GRANGE ENDS

BOSTON, Dec. 10 (AP)—The three day annual session of the Massachusetts State Grange ended here today with the installation of officers by Charles M. Gardiner of Springfield, national high priest of Demeter.

State Master Henry N. Jenks announced that he would appoint a committee to comply with Governor Joseph B. Ely's request for recommendations regarding agriculture which he can include in his messages to the legislature.

State Representative W. Ward Forward of Granby, chairman of the Grange legislative committee, reported that his committee approved the recent remarks by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston regarding milk. Curley said he would order all milk not inspected by Boston inspectors excluded from Boston. Curley also deplored the low price of milk resulting from recent competition between large distributors.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 12/9/31

EVIDENCE OF INTEREST IN THE SPRINGFIELD PART OF CELEBRATION

To the Editor of The Daily News:—

The interest of the "George Washington Bicentennial Committtee of the City of Boston," of Mayor Curley's chairmanship, in Springfield's share in the historic route and the various cavalcades and ceremonies of the year 1932, is shown by this letter just received:

"Mr Albert Winslow Cobb,
Springfield, Massachusetts.
"Dear Mr Cobb:—

This will acknowledge your letter of the 2d. I have written to Mr Adams (chairman of the local Washington Bicentennial committee) in response to a letter which came from him at the same time your letter arrived.

"I notice that the controversy concerning the highway has been settled, and the original proposal reversed in the interest of the historic route.

"Very truly yours,
"E. B. MERO, Secretary."

Responsive to this I have written, after conference with Chairman William F. Adams of the Historical Society headquarters of the local Washington Bicentennial committee, and with Ernest Newton Bagg engaged in press publicity details: — "With the local cooperation of our committee here, your Boston committee's 'Washington Cavalcade' framing can proceed. Along the real historic Washington route determined, wherein certain sections the most significant, connected by certain 'straightaway' sections, may be the official frame by Maj Robert E. Green's commission conference. Chiefly a matter of the grand highway markers on constructed roads local named.

"For suggestion, made very deliberately, for I know every unit of the way, by travel thereon:—As we come into Springfield by the main George Washington highway over Memorial bridge from West Springfield westside route up from Hartford, at Springfield swing south via Columbus avenue into Court Square, by our famous Municipal group, thence at Main street a short run south to State street, there up the hill east by the Armory, and on straight via State street, Winchester Square and Wilbraham road across its culvert bridge at Watershops pond (Armory waterpower of Washington's plan) on to a juncture with the Bay road of his journeys on to Worcester, Cambridge and Boston. So much in Springfield, broad roads and direct, scenic both civic and rural, via the historic trail of most moment, (And bisecting our Crosstown Roosevelt boulevard just midway, most apt.)

"Now as to Boston, where as my natal city I'm alike informed—taking the word of your November 23 letter—'As I believe the prospective Washington highway would include Washington street in Boston' (certainly as there at the Old State House was his inscribed arch triumph and reception per his diary of the presidential journey)—bring the highway route in via Watertown, Cambridge, Massachusetts avenue, Harvard bridge, Fenway by the state war memorial to Commonwealth avenue, there past the famous Washington equestrian statue in the Public garden and State House vista beyond, on via Arlington street, to Boylston street along past Public garden and Common to the goal there Washington street, on by the Old State House, and Adams square on northerly via Charlestown and the ocean trail of his presidential journey as far north as Exeter. And if thence on to the grand climax of Mount Washington via Lake Winnepesaukee shore, so much the completion. From George Washington bridge across the Hudson on along this trail described to Mount Washington. A great memorial highway worth while, and a grand prestige for all its entitled way.

"ALBERT WINSLOW COBB."

Springfield, Dec. 8.

GREENFIELD RECORDER
12/10/31

Hampshire County Dairymen Name Committee Of Three

(Special to The Recorder)

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Principal speakers on the program outlined the situation up to the present time.

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SPRINGFIELD REP
12/10/31

Milk "Made in Massachusetts"

The proposal to label the milk produced by the dairies of the commonwealth as "Made in Massachusetts," indorsed by Dr Arthur W. Gilbert, commissioner of agriculture, would be only a part solution of the dairy problem, even if it had the thorough cooperation of producers, distributors and health authorities. Yet, if the adoption of such a label should result in greater pride in product and increased loyalty to home industry, something of value would be accomplished.

A first requisite would be the formation of the idea on the part of the consuming public that Massachusetts milk is at least as good as any other, if not better. Since in any case Massachusetts, raising only 60 per cent of the milk which it consumes, would have to import a good deal, Vermonters could put on their own labels, but the advantage should rest with the home product, equal quality being assumed.

Legislative measures to prevent the flooding of the market with cheap outside milk are not promising. What Commissioner Gilbert has in mind has not yet been revealed in detail, but there is a suggestion that there is involved a more centralized state control of production than is now exercised, possibly similar to that of Connecticut, which has been able to preserve a better market for its own milk than has been the case with Massachusetts.

In this commonwealth a large degree of independence has been reserved to local boards of health. That is why Mayor Curley, assuming that the Boston board of health will do what he wants it to, can bar out of Boston all milk not produced under Massachusetts inspection. A board of health can place about any requirement on milk production that is within reason and it is not improbable that Mayor Curley and the Boston board of health could legally put what amounts to an embargo on imported milk, regardless of the actual quality of the milk.

While Massachusetts requires certain sanitary measures to be taken in dairy production and establishes milk standards that must be met, the acceptance of imported milk is left to local authorities. If, like Connecticut, this state should require dairies sending milk into this state to be inspected by Massachusetts inspectors, it might help to solve the problem of getting Massachusetts milk marketed first.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 12/10/31

CURLEY AT CAPITAL; SEEKS HARBOR FUND

Washington, Dec. 10—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston accompanied by his social secretary, Thomas L. Johnson, his daughter, Mary Curley, and his private secretary, arrived here yesterday to attend sessions of waterways congress and to confer with the members of the Massachusetts delegation in the House. He was at the Capitol this afternoon and posed for photographers. Tomorrow he will attend a luncheon party to which all the members of the Bay state delegation have been invited. Senator Walsh will be host.

The mayor is seeking congressional appropriation of $1,000,000 for the improvement and development of Boston harbor to make it one of the finest in the world and to aid the unemployed. He will solicit the support of the Bay state delegation for this project. He has been advised, however, that there is not the slightest possibility of getting such a bill through Congress at this time.

QUINCY PAT-LEDGER 12/10/31

LOCAL MEN WILL BE USED TO DISTRIBUTE TELEPHONE BOOKS

Through the intercession of Acting Mayor Flavin, the New England Telephone company today agreed to employ Quincy men and Quincy truck owners in distribution of telephone directories in this city.

This agreement follows a protest lodged by Acting Mayor Flavin against employment of Boston unemployed in local distribution as recommended by Mayor Curley of Boston.

Acting Mayor Flavin's notification to telephone company authorities that local men should be accorded preference in distribution of the directories was made yesterday immediately upon being informed that Mayor Curley of Boston had supplied the Boston distributor with a list of Boston applicants for the work in this city.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/10/31

HAMPSHIRE MEN NAMED TO SERVE ON MILK BOARD

County Dairymen Take Steps Toward Cooperation of Valley Producers in Stabilizing Prices.

NORTHAMPTON, Dec. 9—In spite of the weather more than 100 dairy farmers and members of the Hampshire County Dairymen's Association attended a meeting in Memorial Hall tonight and three Hampshire County farmers were named representatives to a dairymen's bargaining committee to be composed of three representatives from three Valley counties.

The Hampshire County men are Joseph Cook and Ezra Shaw, both of Hadley, and Charles Bisbee of Chesterfield. Charles Norris of Westhampton presided.

Speakers included Quentin Reynolds, manager of the Eastern States Farmers' Exchange, Springfield, and a member of the special milk commission which was recently appointed by Commissioner A. W. Gilbert of the Department of Agriculture; Elisworth Bell, extension specialist in economics at M. S. C.; Prof. J. H. Frandsen of the State College; George L. Barrus of Goshen, member of the New England Milk Producers' Association and Allen S. Leland, agent of the Hampshire County extension service.

Curley Commended.

Besides electing the three men to represent the local dairy association on the bargaining committee, it was voted to send a communication to Mayor James M. Curley of Boston commending his recent stand and efforts to exclude milk produce outside the State from being sold in that city. Mr. Leland told the farmers that Mr. Bisbee of Chesterfield attended the conference of Hampden County delegates with the Springfield Board of Health which he believes is willing to cooperate with the farmers.

A petition for a bargaining committee has been in circulation for three days and 1200 names have been secured, Mr. Leland said. He intimated that the dealers in the Connecticut Valley have tentative plans for an organization and that within a few days these dealers will meet to organize. The bargaining committee to be composed of three men from Hampden, three from Hampshire and three from Franklin Counties will be the representative of the milk producer in conferring with the dealers' organization.

Mr. Reynolds said that the farmers of the Valley should be alive to the situation and get together. He declared that the farmers could cooperate better than the dealers as the dealers are in competition. He said that the relationship of the farmers' cooperative program would have salable results on their products and increase their buying power.

"No matter how city-minded the people of various communities may be," the Eastern States manager declared, "these communities are in financial jeopardy in such a period as we are now threatened with. Farmers must pay taxes and interest on their mortgages and the bargaining committee will have a tremendous purpose in this crisis."

Organization Needed.

Prof. Frandsen declared that at present when all branches of business and industry have found it highly desirable to organize to hold their own with competition and to sell and distribute most efficiently, every argument that applies to the organization of business also applies to the business of the dairy farmer. During the last summer, Prof. Frandsen, while in Europe, had an opportunity to study Danish dairying. He attributed the success of the Danes to the fact that they are organized; 90 per cent of them belong to creamery and milk plant associations and 93 per cent of the milk produced goes through these cooperative plants. In addition to marketing their products cooperatively, they buy their feed and other supplies through cooperative associations.

Prof. Frandsen said he felt certain that organization of Massachusetts dairymen would be a great help in working out a constructive solution for the present chaotic condition of the dairy industry. Milk prices below the cost of production mean bankrupcy for the farmer and inferior quality and eventually a higher price for the consumer, he said.

Prof. Bell outlined the three possible associations for milk producers, collective bargaining, collecting distributing and collective retailing. He explained the various possible associations. One observation he made was that a one cent increase or decrease in the price of milk does not noticably affect the consumption. George Barrus of Goshen, representative of the Cummington distirct in the N. E. M. P. A., told of the conference that was held with milk dealers in Springfield previous to the recent drop in price. He made this explanation to correct an impression given by a recently published statement that the N. E. M. P. A. had reduced the price. Mr. Barrus said that the first overture of the dealers was for a two and one-half cent reduction.

The Goshen man said that the president of the General Ice Cream Company had told the men that they could get milk from other sources for less money which would mean that 12,000 quarts of milk produced by Connecticut Valley producers would not be sold. A two cent reduction was agreed upon and this reduction was taken after more than 200 producers assembled in Springfield agreed to take the cut, if their representatives in the association could do no better. Mr. Barrus made a statement that an official of the General Ice Cream Company had told the representatives that they had been offered 50,000 quarts of milk a day delivered in Springfield at four cents a quart and that the Whiting Company of Boston could obtain milk from New York State at a reduced cost. He made these statements and this explanation to refute the statement recently published.

Milk Distributors Will Meet Tonight.

Every milk distributor and dealer selling in Springfield or valley towns is being invited by the State Department of Agriculture to attend a conference tomorrow night in Hotel Kimball for the purpose of organizing a check unfair trade practises and to choose a representative committee to meet with the bargaining committee of the Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin County Dairymen's Associations in an effort to stabilize the market in Western Massachusetts.

Joseph C. Cort, director of the division of husbandry and dairying of the State Department of Agriculture has been asked to meet with the dealers by their organization committee composed of Owen Clifford of Ludlow charman, and E. F. Carlon of West Springfield, vice-chairman and secretary. It is also probable that Dr. A. W. Gilbert, commissioner of agriculture, and John W. Haigis of Greenfield, chairman of the Springfield Milk Commission will be present at the meeting.

WILLIMANTIC CHRONICLE 12/10/31

GENERAL D. PRESSION BURIED

A service was held at Boston harbor a few days ago, in memory of a dummy figure called General D. Pression, which figure was finally pushed into the harbor by Mayor Curley of that city. "Happy Days Are Here Again" was sung by the crowd after the funeral obsequies.

We can all help bury General D. Perssion. But people who hoard their money, who fail to spend a reasonable proportion of their incomes, who talk in a gloomy way, help keep him alive.

Those who keep saying that all depressions in history have been short lived, that they break as soon as surplus stocks of merchandise are worked off, who convey these ideas to their friends, and who act in a way that these truths suggest, are among those who are helping to bury General D. Pression. Let us all give him a good shove here in Willimantic, and put him under ground right off.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 12/10/31

WANTS LOCAL MEN USED TO DISTRIBUTE 'PHONE BOOKS HERE

Expressing the conviction that Quincy men should be employed in distribution of telephone books in this city rather than men from a list supplied by Mayor Curley of Boston, Acting Mayor John P. Flavin today is requesting the New England Telephone company officials to employ local men.

Revelation that Mayor Curley of Boston had supplied the names of Boston unemployed to a Boston distributor in charge of placing telephone books in Metropolitan Boston, prompted Acting Mayor Flavin to seek a conference on the matter.

Through Albert C. Trefry, local field man for the telephone company, the entire matter is to be discussed here this afternoon, Acting Mayor Flavin stated this morning.

"In all justice to the unemployment situation in this city, Quincy men certainly should be entitled to the preference in local distribution," he declared.

NORTH ADAMS TRANSCRIPT 12/11/31

MILK PRODUCERS' UNION IS LIKELY

As Decisive Factor in Price War

MEETING TONIGHT

Definite Action Expected at Gathering of Franklin County Farmers in Greenfield.

Criticism recently made by milk dealers in Springfield and other Connecticut valley markets that they are unable to co-operate or even talk with producers on a price basis because they cannot deal with them as an organization is likely to be met soon by formation of a producers' bargaining association which may be used as a "club" to compel dealers to pay a wholesale price above instead of below the cost of production. At meetings of the Hampshire and Hampden County Dairymen's associations this week sales committees of three members from each association were elected to co-operate with each other in the formation and direction of the proposed bargaining body. Similar action will probably be taken at a meeting of the Franklin County Dairymen's association which has been called for this evening in Washington hall at Greenfield at 8 o'clock. Just what action or steps the nine-member sales committee will take or recommend remains to be seen but unless dealers voluntarily raise the price within a short time drastic action of some sort will probably be taken. Franklin county dairymen have been hard hit by lowering of the price in the Springfield market and it is believed they are now thoroughly aroused and in a mood to support definite action to protect the industry.

Tonight a report of the meeting of the Hampden county dairymen in Springfield will probably be laid before the Franklin county farmers. Fear has been expressed that importation of New York state milk in large quantities will begin soon unless definite steps are taken toward elimination of the out-of-state milk. Mayor Curley of Boston has already barred New York state products from his city by means of an order to the city's board of health that no milk shall be sold in Boston which is not subject to inspection by Boston health agents. Mayor Curley's action will probably be discussed at the meeting in Greenfield, the second within a week and the third this year. A large attendance is expected.

NASHUA TELEGRAM 12/11/31

SENDS WIRE OF APPROVAL ON STAND

Of Boston Mayor In Protecting New England

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HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 12/11/31

POLICE TO SEEK WARRANT FOR ARREST OF YOUNG CURLEY

BOSTON, Dec. 11—A warrant for the arrest of Mayor James M. Curley's 16-year-old son, Leo, on a technical charge of manslaughter, was to be sought by police today in connection with the automobile killing of a Springfield woman.

Back Bay police named young Curley as the driver of an automobile which fatally injured Miss Sally Bean, 48, of 130 Byers street, Springfield, as she stepped from the curb of Huntington avenue. She died last night at City hospital.

Police announced they would seek the warrant in Roxbury court.

KEENE SENTINEL 12/11/31

GOV. WILSON PRAISES MAYOR CURLEY'S STAND ON N. E. MILK QUESTION

Vermont Executive Writes Letter of Thanks to Boston Mayor

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NEWPORT R.I. HERALD 12/11/31

WATERWAYS TRADE URGED BY CURLEY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10, (AP)—A trade in congressional support between Massachusetts and Mississippi river waterway project advocates was proposed to the deeper waterways convention today by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston. The mayor said he would urge the Massachusetts congressional delegation "to support the Mississippi river projects for an expenditure of $2,000,000,000 by the government for flood control hydro-electric development and commercial development and in return expected that the delegates from the territory served by the Mississippi river would support the projects which Massachusetts is interested in namely the Cape Cod Canal and the Harbor develop ts including the removal of lower dle ground and the deepening channel to forty feet from Pres road to the Navy Yard, the wide and deepening of the channel to the Fore River shipya ds i Qui which would represen an expend ture o 000,000.

The mayor said he received very general assurance from the delegates that they would work with us on the project.".

WORCESTER GAZETTE 12/10/31

CLAIM CURLEY TO SPEAK HERE

Reports Persist Hub Mayor Will Sound Worcester County Senitment on Gubernatorial Candidacy

COLLEAGUES DISCOUNT ASPIRATION RUMORS

By Gazette State House Reporter

BOSTON, Dec. 10.—The persistent report that Mayor James M. Curley of Boston is to be invited to Worcester within the next few months to make an address is causing no little political speculation here.

There is nothing definite to pin the talk on but it is being widely circulated and with the apparent desire to imply that the Boston executive's appearance there would be in the nature of a sounding of sentiment as to his much reported candidacy for the gubernatorial nomination against Governor Ely.

None of Mayor Curley's official family knows anything about a Worcester engagement in the near future but those responsible for the report say that the invitation is in the making and will doubtless be accepted. They deny that it will have any political significance but offstage they are saying that it will be an excellent opportunity to determine how much enthusiasm Mayor Curley's oratory can arouse.

It is generally conceded that if Mayor Curley is to be a candidate for the gubernatorial nomination, and most observers don't think he will be, that his principal attention would be devoted to the voters upstate. They assert he can hold his Boston vote in line but against Governor Ely would have difficulty in mustering any upstate support.

The Hub executive is regarded as one of the best speakers in the country. He has never appeared in Worcester, except some years ago, at any time when he could demonstrate his oratorical ability, except in the heat of a campaign. Those spreading the story of his forthcoming visit say that once he has opportunity to speak in a manner detached from campaigns, the enthusiasm which he arouses will be an excellent barometer of the probable support he could count on in a primary fight.

Mayor Curley is now in Washington attending the closing sessions of the Waterways congress. He plans later to go on a speaking tour throughout the country in the interest of the presidential candidacy of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York.

Landlords who neglect to furnish tenants with heat when the contract calls for it are going to be up against it in the future. Director Ralph W. Robart of the state division of the necessaries of life is receiving complaints of inadequate heat and has warned of the penalties provided by the law for such neglect.

Rep. Roland D. Sawyer, the minister-legislator of Ware, taking note of the declining price of milk but the stationary price of ice cream has filed a resolve asking the Legislature to direct an inquiry into the cost of ice cream. The probe would be made by the division of the necessaries of life.

Cancer clinics will be organized and established throughout the state and especially in the sections where they will be most advantageous to public health if a bill filed in the Legislature meets with approval.

The lastest bill involving the banking situation in Massachusets which has reached the Legislature calls for the transfer of the office of the bank commissioner to the office of the state auditor.

Massachusetts Emergency committee on unemployment has sent superintendents of schools through the state an appeal for their co-operation and support in keeping children in school and off the streets. It has developed that many children who were working but whose employment has ceased have not returned to school.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/10/31

PUSH ROOSEVELT DRIVE

League, Seeking membership, Claims Enrolment of 10,000.

Special to The Springfield Union.

BOSTON, Dec. 9 — The National Franklin D. Roosevelt League for President, of which Whitfield Tuck of Winchester is president and Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, honorary president, has started an intensive membership drive. Although the drive has only been under way for two weeks, Tuck claims a membership of 10,000 and declares that the cause of the Rooseveltians is booming.

Among those who have signed membership cards is Rep. Ruth Bryan Owen of Florida, daughter of the late Commoner, William Jennings Bryan.

N. B. STANDARD 12/10/31

The Milk War

At the suggestion of Mayor Curley, the Boston health department has issued a warning that dealers who sell milk from sources not approved and inspected by the department will lose their licenses.

This revives the old question of how far the health authorities can go in excluding milk from the territory in which they have jurisdiction. Of their right to make rules and regulations governing production and handling of milk there is no question, but can they say: "We will not admit milk from such a place, because we don't know whether our rules are lived up to, and it is too far away for us to send inspectors to find out"?

The milk war now raging in Springfield and Boston, with milk down to seven or eight cents a quart, looks like a good thing for the consumer, but it is not. These cut-throat price struggles end quickly, and then the winner recoups his losses in a market in which he has gained a strong enough position to do what he pleases. The curious thing about the situation is that it is the New England producers who have cut prices in their effort to drive out of the field independent producers and co-operatives in Vermont and New York. Primarily, it is a war between farmers, instead of one between farmers and dealers.

Figures prepared at the Massachusetts State College give the average cost of producing a quart of milk in Massachusetts exclusive of handling as 6.17 cents. If that is true, milk cannot long be produced, transported, processed and delivered to the consumer for seven and a half cents. Somebody is bound to go under, and then the survivor will have the consumer pretty much at his mercy.'

Our own feeling is that the community is fortunate that draws its milk from nearby farms at a price that will give producers a fair profit. One advantage of this arrangement is that sources of supply are easily regulated and quick action can be taken to eliminate sub-standard or contaminated milk. Another is that if we buy our milk from our neighbors, they do their trading with us and the community is thereby a gainer.

NORTH ATTLEBORO CHRONICLE 12/1/31

B. C. Official Makes Reply To Thomas

Boston, Dec. 1.—The Boston College Athletic Association yesterday sent a formal protest to Lowell Thomas, radio news broadcaster, against his alleged statement that the Boston College-Holy Cross football game was a "racket." The statement was alleged to have been made by Thomas in his broadcast over a nation-wide hookup last Saturday night.

The College Association charged Thomas made several disparaging remarks in reference to the game, which was played Thanksgiving Day and which was planned to aid Boston's unemployment fund. John P. Curley, graduate manager of athletics, claimed Thomas ridiculed the arrangement for the game, commenting on the disappointing attendance.

The two colleges have played annually at Fenway Park and usually the attendance was in excess of 32,000. Mayor James M. Curley of Boston asked the colleges to shift their game to the Harvard Stadium and all ticket sales over 32,000 be given to Boston's unemployed. The game was shifted from Saturday to Thanksgiving and despite strenuous efforts to promote the attendance only 24,000 persons attended and the receipts were approximately $12,000 less to each college than in other years. Unless some change is made in the agreement the unemployed will get nothing from the game.

In Curley's message to Thomas he said: "Boston College and Holy Cross play their annual game on the Saturday following Thanksgiving Day at Fenway Park, which seats over 32,000. The game is generally a sell-out, and as many as 43,000 have attended. This year, at the request of the Mayor of Boston, and through the kindness of President Lowell of Harvard, the game was transferred to Harvard Stadium, where 60,000 can be accommodated. The two colleges were to receive the returns on 32,000 tickets, pay all expenses and every cent over the return on these tickets was to be turned over to charity.

"If the game went over as expected, over $75,000 could have been realized for charity. As it is, Boston College and Holy Cross stand to take a severe loss, and here at Boston College the receipts of this game carry our entire athletic program, which now faces a heavy deficit.

"We do not conscientiously believe we were sponsoring any 'racket,' and think your remarks on last Saturday evening were a gross misrepresentation of the facts and figures and of a most libellous nature."

WAKEFIELD ITEM 12/4/31

"Buried Wrong Guy", Says Chauffeur, As He Finds His Job Gone After the Burial of "General D. Pression"

Leslie Fletcher, former three-letter athlete at the Stoneham High School, had a position of prominence next to Mayor Curley in the great funeral procession through the streets of Boston when the mayor himself assisted the remains of "General D. Pression" to its last (?) resting place in the chilled waters, off Battery Wharf. Thousands watched the cortege, led by the mounted police, pass through down-town Boston streets to City Hall and thence to its briny burial place, whilst a large brass band pealed out the funeral dirge.

At the forefront of the procession, as personal chauffeur to His Honor, the popular young Stoneham citizen beamed as he looked back on the open hearse carrying General D. Pression, enclosed in a black coffin bedecked with bunches of carrots, beets, and turnips. Upon reaching the wharf, Fletcher wheeled the big car on to Flaherty's Ferry and a few minutes later the mayor dumped the unhappy old warrier into the harbor, while the crowd sang with wild gusto, "Happy Days Are Here Again."

Fletcher's tenor voice was never in better form. "Unwept, unhonored, the old gloom general is buried for all time," said the mayor, and his grave is not far from the scene of the immortal Boston Tea Party." Then the crowd, which jammed the ferry and lined the wharves, sang songs of glee to the accompaniment of the Musicians' Union Band. Fire Boats 47 and 31, their sirens screeching, joined in the merry din.

The ceremony over, Leslie directed his chief back to city hall. It was a bit cold for His Honor in the back seat, in the open car, and he asked "Fletch" if he would mind if he rode in front.

"Tickled stiff," said "Fletch," with contagious joy, and the chauffeur and the mayor of the largest city in New England chatted freely for the rest of the journey.

"I think it was quite a demonstration, this morning" said the mayor.

"It certainly was," ejaculated Leslie, "and I hope to blazes it has the lasting effect which you prophesied at the obsequies."

The mayor laughed and they shook hands as they parted at City Hall.

His mission over, Fletcher drove back to the office of his employers, an automobile agency, and waited on his boss for further orders for the day.

"I guess there is nothing doing, Fletcher," the boss said, as kindly as he could. "I just received orders from the front office to lay you off until prosperity comes back."

Spot Pond is a beautiful place at night, especially at full moon. If there was a bridge there, our humble hero might have stood on it and gazed into its placid waters as silver beams of light enter silently into its liquid bosom. Like Longfellow he might have written a poem, but he refrained. Longfellow had only one other choice, and so did Fletcher. Unbuttoning his coat and drawing a pencil and paper out of his pocket, he scribbled, "Dear Mayor: Don't be surprised if you get tried for murder. You and I buried the wrong guy this morning. It was General D. Pression's chauffeur who passed away.

"Metamorphosically,

"Leslie Fletcher."

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/1/31

Boston College Sends Protest to Lowell Thomas for Calling Tilt with Holy Cross 'Racket'

Athletic Association Terms as "Libelous" Statements of Radio Broadcaster in "Ridiculing Arrangements for Football Game Planned to Aid Boston's Unemployment Fund."

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The protest was the second in the last month against a radio announcer to be made by a Greater Boston institution. Harvard protested Ted Husing's use of the word "putrid" in describing the play of Barry Wood, Harvard quarterback, in the Dartmouth game. Harvard barred Husing from the stadium as a broadcaster.

RESENTS ATTACK ON H. C.-B. C. GAME

Boston College Group Aroused by Radio Speaker's Remarks

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WORCESTER GAZETTE 12/1/31

The People's Forum

This column is open to all readers for expression of opinion. As an evidence of good faith contributors are expected to sign name and address. When it is so requested the name will not be published.

Questions the Deficit In That Thanksgiving Game

To the Editor of The Gazette,

Sir:—You have an interesting article on the first page of The Evening Gazette of Nov. 27, but not very interesting for the Boston unemployed, who must have expected a little help from the receipts of over $75,000. Our good friend, Mayor James M. Curley's hopes for aid to the idle fund must be shattered after seeing this report.

Whoever is responsible for staging this charity tilt at the Harvard Stadium on Thanksgiving Day should have considered the true spirit for the promotion of this game, for I think they were extremely generous in guaranteeing the teams the mere sum of $30,000 each for a few men and a brass band with a little action and some good music for two hours and I will not mention the $15,000 paid the Boston Red Sox for Fenway park, as it is only $15,000 anyway and then the small sum of $3000 for operating the Stadium and $18,000 for printing. However, there seems to be a deficit of some $21,000.

I wonder if they expect the unemployed to pay for this. I was under the impression that this was somewhat of a charity exhibition for the benefit of the unemployed, which was a very fine charitable deed to perform at a time like this. But it looks to me like a business proposition for some. It seems to me that the teams, after enjoying a prosperous season, and the public contributing so generously to these games, should contribute a couple of hours of their time to charity to help relieve the unemployed situation in Boston for a fair compensation. I also believe that if there had been a good sum realized from the game that part of it should have come to Worcester to help the unemployed here.

J. S. KEMPTON.

Worcester, Nov. 28.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 12/12/31

MAYOR CURLEY'S SON LOSES AUTO LICENSE

Registrar Ryan Takes Action as Result of Death of Woman Struck by Machine Driven by Youth

BOSTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—The license to operate an automobile held by Leo F. Curley, son of Mayor James M. Curley, was suspended today by Morgan T. Ryan, registrar of motor vehicles. Curley's car struck and fatally injured Miss Sally Bean of Springfield, in Boston last Saturday night. Ryan explained the action was the usual one in cases involving a fatality.

WOR. TEL. 12/12/31

RYAN IS AWAITING REPORT ON CURLEY

Action Against Mayor's Son Is Delayed

By Telegram State House Reporter

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Morgan T. Ryan, registrar of motor vehicles, said today he has taken no action against Leo Curley, 16-year-old son of Mayor Curley, reported by the Back Bay police as the operator of the automobile which struck down Miss Sally Bean, 48, Springfield, early Saturday morning. Miss Bean died in the City hospital here last night.

Mr. Ryan said his inspectors were investigating the accident and that when he received the report, probably tomorrow, he would make a further statement.

Mr. Ryan did suspend today, pending complete investigation, the operator's license of Howard E. Martin, of Allston, driver of the bus which killed Charles W. Pratt, father of Rep. C. F. Nelson Pratt of Saugus, on the Newburyport turnpike Wednesday night.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 12/12/31

DEFER COMPLAINT AGAINST CURLEY BOY

BOSTON, Dec. 11 (AP)—Application or a complaint charging Leo Curley, 6, son of Mayor James M. Curley, with manslaughter in the death of Miss Sally Bean, 48, of Springfield, who was fatally injured by the boy's automobile, was deferred to Dec. 16, today in Dorchester court. The woman was struck by the automobile last Saturday and died in a hospital yesterday.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 12/12/31

LEO CURLEY'S AUTO LICENSE SUSPENDED

BOSTON, Dec. 12 (INS)—The automobile driving license of Leo F. Curley, 16-year-old son of Mayor James M. Curley, was suspended today by Registrar of Motor Vehicles Morgan T. Ryan pending investigation of an accident last week resulting in the death of Mrs. Sally Bean, 48 of Springfield.

Young Curley was driving an automobile, the birthday gift of his father, when Miss Bean was knocked down and killed in Roxbury. A hearing is scheduled for West Roxbury court on Wednesday.

SPRINGFIELD REP 12/12/31

G. O. P. STILL ALIVE, YOUNGMAN SAYS IN WESTFIELD SPEECH

Tells Republican Council He Wants Democratic Opposition Strong

BELIEVES HIS PARTY SOON IN POWER AGAIN

Predicts Curley Will Seek Governorship in 1932 — Sees Nobody Opposing His Own Candidacy

Westfield, Dec. 11—Lieut-Gov William S. Youngman tonight served notice on Gov Joseph B. Ely that the Republican party still lives. He said he wishes to see both Democratic and Republican parties strong and healthy so that when the Republican party comes back into power, which he believes will be soon, it will have the right kind of opposition to keep it going. "No one seems inclined to oppose me for the nomination of governor in 1932," said the lieutenant-governor.

He was speaking at a meeting of the Hampden-Hampshire District Republican council held at the New Park Square hotel, with Herbert Thorp presiding.

Sees Curley as Candidate

During the meeting and again after his address, the lieutenant-governor said: "You will have Mayor Curley of Boston as the Democratic nominee for governor next year, and I will also say that there will not be much more of the state's money spent on the construction of burlap roads."

His main address consisted of a diagnosis of the present financial condition. He said that during the depression the people of the world have acted in a good deal the same manner as a flock of sheep. The human animal in a panic, he said, is not much different from other animals.

Praises Hoover Credit Plan

American stock and bond markets on Monday, October 5, 1931, has been removed. It was removed by the huge credit scheme which was announced by President Hoover on October 6, 1931, which is now called the National Finance corporation.

"By making available nearly $1,000,000,000 out of which to make loans to banks on staple securities at a reasonable figure, the President succeeded in applying a check on the downrush of the security market, which at that time appeared to be bottomless. In the language of Dwight Morrow, one of our ablest American thinkers on financial subjects, President Hoover, on October 6, put out some of the fire. That does not mean, however, that all the trouble is over.

"The financial structure is still in such condition that it has got to be reduced. That rebuilding must be done slowly. President Hoover, receiving the unanimous support of the leaders of the financial world, and the leaders of both parties in Congress, started that rebuilding by setting up a national finance corporation.

Sees Confidence Reviving

"It was orginally called the revolving fund of $500,000,000, the bankers' pool and the credit pool. The general effects of it at first was to restore confidence and, second, to begin to thaw the frozen assets that were forcing banks to close their doors.

"The Federal Reserve banking system of the United States is, I hope, the beginning of our salvation. The banks now cannot be deprived of the cash necessary to meet the demands of their depositors if the banks have been conducted in a sound way.

"The privilege of rediscount allowing the banks to have Federal Reserve notes issued in the quantities necessary to meet their needs, solved the problem of the 1907 panic, which was a money and a credit panic. We had elasticity of credit in the United States through the Federal Reserve system.

"We have had hard times in United States in the past two years. There have been hard times all over the world, but the constructive and courageous action of the President has kept the panic from going to the depths which it otherwise would have. We are going to have improvement and eventually we are going to have the wheels of industry humming, and we will have another period of great prosperity in America."

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/13/31

GREENFIELD VIEWS PRODUCERS' STAND ON MILK QUESTION

Efforts to Save Dairymen From Inroads of 'Foreign' Product Discussed

PUBLIC URGED TO BACK CORRECTIVE MEASURES

Several Suggestions Advanced But Falws Detected In Each — Boston Mayor's Action Is Lauded

From Our Special Correspondent

Greenfield, Dec. 12—With milk producers meeting in three counties during the week the dairy situation continues to hold the center of the stage in Western Massachusetts. More persons have been affected by reductions in the price of fluid milk than by any other single happening in this section for many years. The fact that the dairymen's "bill of rights" as read by Joseph H. Putnam of the Franklin county extension service at the recent meeting of producers and dealers at the Hotel Kimball in Springfield already had been signed by more than four-fifths of the farmers shipping into the Springfield market is an indication of the seriousness of the situation and the widespread interest it involves.

With the welfare of so many persons and the future of so great an industry at stake, some definite remedy is certain to be forthcoming soon. It is a good many years since the "embattled" farmers "stood and fired the shot heard 'round the world," but from all reports the modern farmers of the western counties, as yet unheralded and unsung, are preparing as earnest and powerful an offensive as did the farmers of Concord and Lexington.

The present near-crisis offers strik- has brought about in the conduct of business and the interrelation of people and affairs. Fifty, 25, or even fewer illustration of the changes time er years ago a situation such as now exists could scarcely have arisen. Cattle and other stock used to be a source of fertilizer, a necessary part of every farmer's equipment whether he called himself a dairyman or not. A farmer who could not sell his surplus milk for what it cost, or more (and how many farmers knew what it cost them to produce a quart of milk?) would have reduced his dairy business and increased his production of other foodstuffs. Modern methods of refrigeration were yet to come and markets were close at hand rather than many, sometimes hundreds, of miles distant as they often are today.

Milk Joins "Big Business"

With improvement of transportation facilities and the accessibility of distant markets came the growth of larger dairy herds, consolidation of the dairy interests and the investment of larger and larger sums of money in stock and equipment in sections often remote from the intended markets. Development of the ice cream trade and similar lines created an increased demand for year-'round quantities of milk and cream, while collective marketing methods supplied the dairy industry with the remaining characteristics of big business.

Dependable supplies of milk available from many sources have made possible the formation of large dealers' agencies with, as now seems to have happened, both the power and the occasional desire to discourage competition by cutting prices, even down to cost if necessary. Availability of milk from one or more of several distant sources at wholesale prices less than its cost of production in this vicinity has become a powerful weapon in the hands of dealers whose actions indicate they are out to eliminate competition by crowding the little fellows to the wall. And as the dealers' war becomes more bitter the producers must perforce bear the burden too, dropping the extra cent or two that is their margin of profi or loss, or yielding their markets to a surplus supply from without the state.

Flaws in Gilbert's Suggestion

Several solutions have so far been proposed by interests allied with the producers. The suggestion of Dr Arthur W. Gilbert, commissioner of agriculture, that the use of state product labels might encourage loyalty toward a native product is all right so far as it goes. A comparatively few would patronize the labeled milk at higher prices. The vast majority of consumers will pay no more than they are obliged to pay, especially for a thing like milk where differences in quality are invisible to the average person.

Legislation as proposed by Representative Winfred Forward of Granby promises more satisfactory and lasting results tho[illegible], as Mr Forward was careful to state, such action will take a long time and will meet with many obstacles. If, as has been said, it costs 6.2 cents to produce a quart of milk, the dairymen will need assistance long before legislation can be of any value. Immediate relief is what the dairy farmers need and so far the only definite action taken in the state has been taken by Mayor Curley of Boston.

It may be impossible, as Representative Forward pointed out and is doubtless true, to pass any regulations in restriction of interstate commerce such as prevention of the importation of "foreign" milk. Apparently the same results can be obtained for enforcement of health and inspection standards as was advocated in these columns as long ago as June 19.

Faced with the threat that a large Boston dealer would import milk from New York state unless local producers would drop their price, Mayor Curley forbade the Boston board of health to allow the sale of New York state milk within the city. If Boston can so easily enforce the sale of native milk Springfield and other Connecticut valley markets should be able to do the same.

Dealers' Welfare at Stake

So far the dealers have had little to say, which may mean, as some of them claim, they are as helpless in the downward swing of the milk market as the general public is before a downward trend in financial and economic affairs. Certainly their welfare is at stake as well as that of the producers and there seems to be some ground for belief that many of them are the victims of one or two of the largest dealers who have already been accused of a desire to gain supreme control of the dairy industry in this section regardless of consequences. As far as that goes the farmers themselves, or as many of them as are members of the New England Milk Producers' association, have been accused of responsibility for the cut in prices in an effort to control the market.

There may be some truth in this statement also but as only about 500 of the 1360 producers shipping into the Springfield market are members of the N. E. M. P. A. the accusation cannot apply to a majority of dairy farmers in this section. In any case the producers are not to be blamed if they take whatever steps they can to correct a dangerous situation. And whatever steps are taken the public should support. It is the public that always pays, a little more perhaps if the price of milk is raised, and a great deal more if the native dairy industry is crowded to the wall.

A generation ago a situation of this sort would have reflected a public attitude entirely different from that it does today. The welfare of one class of people was not seen as of concern to all the others, nor was this true to any such extent as it is today. It took the war and many subsequent events to show that the prosperity or poverty of one section is vitally related to the welfare of other regions. The fallacy of success at the expense of someone's failure has been amply demonstrated. With the business structure what it is today the failure or poverty of any class is of far-reaching consequence. Widespread and general recognition of this fact is the greatest reassurance the dairymen have today that their industry will survive the present storm.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 12/12/31

YOUNGMAN SPEAKS OF ASPIRATIONS

Special Dispatch to The Gazette

WESTFIELD, Dec. 12.—"I would like to announce to Governor Ely, that the Republican party still lives," declared Lieut. Gov. William S. Youngman, last night in an address before the recently organized Hampshire-Hampden Republican District council at a supper meeting in the new Park Square hotel.

"Nobody seems inclined to oppose me for the nomination for governor in 1932," he declared. Following his main address he said: "I would like to say that you will have Mayor Curley of Boston as the Democratic nominee in 1932. We'll have to battle in 1932, but the signs are encouraging."

Lieut.-Gov. Youngman outlined probabilities of the nation returning to normalcy.

In his introductory remarks he briefly mentioned "the burlap road" controversy in the eastern part of the state, stating "I do not think there will be much more of the state's money spent on burlap roads."

WORCESTER TEL. 12/13/31

Curley's 1932 Plans

It develops as pretty sure, however, that whether or not he decides to enter the race for renomination, Mayor James M. Curley will be in that race. Of course there is no reason why he should not be. Politically, that seems to be the logical thing for him to do. He has been mayor about all he wants to; he is ineligible for immediate re-election, under the Boston charter which does not allow a mayor to succeed himself; and to sit and wait another four years, then jump in again, comes too close to comedy. The mayor is not interested in any such in and out game. One of the strongest, most brilliant of Massachusetts Democrats, what is there for him ahead? He has already been to Congress, years ago, and there is no likelihood that he would wish to go back there again at this late date. In the Senate he would be conspicuous, for it is the golden throne of oratory—and they need some good orators right now. No imminent opening appears there now, however.

Every consideration of political logic marks Mr. Curley as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor next year, and we have little doubt that he will make the attempt. If Mr. Ely should choose not to run, Mr. Curley would have practically a clear field. Undoubtedly he would have opposition in the primaries, but there is no other Democrat in sight who would have much chance to defeat him for the nomination—that is, of course, not counting Governor Ely.

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Governor Ely's Future

Personal politics continues to bubble, but to no definite purpose. This is one of the weeks when the wise ones know for certain that Governor Ely is not to be a candidate for a second term. If it is the Governor's purpose to keep the politicians guessing about his future, he is doing a good job, because the soothsayers and prophets are running around in circles with their guesses. One week he is sure to run, and the next he is sure not to. Just as the story had been built up that he would insist on retiring at the end of his present term, he takes a home in Cambridge, and the other group, the second-termers, came to the front with this as evidence that he was going to stick on the job. Of course it has no bearing on the subject. If he does not run for re-election he very likely will identify himself more closely than in the past with Boston law practice. The likelihood is that Westfield is about to lose Mr. Ely, in favor of greater Boston—though whether through politics or law practice is an open question.

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Mayor Curley is said to be so well pleased with Robert M. Washburn's eulogy of the Boston mayor that he is having thousands of copies printed in pamphlet form, with the possibility that he may use them in the next campaign in which he participates, as an example of how his service to the public appeals to a Roosevelt Republican.

The career of Abraham B. Casson, member of the House of Representatives from Roxbury, should be an inspiration to those who consider America the land of opportunity. Born in Russia 31 years ago, Casson came to this country when a child, went through the public schools and then worked his way through the

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/13/31

The Boston Real Estate exchange should avoid giving the impression that it is engaged in a cat-and-dog fight with Mayor Curley. The mayor's loose-tongued accusation against the Massachusetts board of tax appeals may have invited reprisals, but the people of the state know how to discount Mayor Curley's rhetoric, just as he himself does in his private meditations. The facts regarding the overassessment of certain properties speak for themselves, and it is not necessary to go further and charge the mayor with establishing an excessively high debt limit and thus giving a false impression of the security behind the city's credit. The property assessment question is acute in all parts of the commonwealth, and the real solution will come only through a reduced scale of municipal expenditures. Mayor Curley makes no point by talking about an "abatement racket," for distressed property owners are bound to fight what they consider excessive assessments. On the other hand, the Boston Real Estate exchange should not appear to be in the position of trying to impair the city's credit.

QUINCY PAT. LEDGER 12/12/31

CURLEY HOPEFUL OF HARBOR PROPOSAL

Mayor James M. Curley, arriving back in Boston last night after a conference in Washington on the development of Boston harbor, declared that the outlook is very favorable for his plan which would include the improvement of the Weymouth Fore river.

Under Curley's scheme, the river would be dredged from the Hingham bridge to the mouth.

PROVIDENCE JOURNAL 12/13/31

MAYOR CURLEY'S SON HAS LICENSE SUSPENDED

Procedure is Usual One in Cases Involving Auto Fatalities

Boston, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The license to operate an automobile held by Leo F. Curley, son of Mayor James M. Curley, was suspended today by Morgan T. Ryan, registrar of motor vehicles. Curley's car struck and fatally injured Miss Sally Bean of Springfield, in Boston last Saturday night. Ryan explained the action was the usual one in cases involving a fatality.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 12/14/31

TEMPORARY LOANS

Massachusetts Cities Having Difficulty in Borrowing Money in Anticipation of Collecting Taxes

The Mayors' Club of Massachusetts met in Boston Saturday and the chief topic of discussion covered various suggested ways and means of obtaining more revenue for cities to meet an anticipated general increase in expenditures for charity relief next year.

Mayor Curley of Boston favored increasing the income tax on intangibles from six to ten per cent, and also suggested a law which would compel persons seeking automobile registrations to show that they had already paid their motor excise tax.

Mayor Bates of Salem would have the state turn over to the cities the entire receipts of this year's increase of one cent a gallon in the gasoline tax, instead of one-half, which is the amount now being received.

Both Mayor Cassassa of Revere and Mayor Ashley of New Bedford stated that cities are having difficulty in borrowing money from banks. The latter called attention to the fact that cities must pay the money they owe to the state on certain specified dates, but there is no corresponding promptness in payments by the commonwealth to them. He also pointed out that the state loans to Fall River at a low rate of interest, while the other cities have difficulty in borrowing at almost any price. To overcome this borrowing difficulty, Mayor Cassassa suggested legislation to enable cities requiring money to borrow it directly from the state.

The news account of the meeting contained no mention of any suggestion to reduce municipal expenditures and to place the conduct of public affairs in the cities on a sound, businesslike basis—and that seems to be the crying need at the present moment.

There should not be any curtailment of the money spent for the proper care of the deserving sick and needy. Expenditures in all other lines, though, should be kept down to actual necessities, and excessive outlays in all directions should be reduced to the bounds of reason. That course will have to be taken if many of the cities of the state are to avoid financial disaster. There is no choice in the matter.

It was reported at the Mayors' club meeting that municipal executives were meeting difficulty not only in getting tax payments, but also were not receiving cordial reception from bankers with regard to temporary loans in anticipation of taxes. In view of the first, the latter fact is not surprising. Taxes, particularly when they are increasing and being placed upon already overburdened shoulders, are not the same sound security for loans to Massachusetts cities that they once were.

Bankers are viewing with alarm the unbusinesslike management of most municipalities, and are likely to be more and more reluctant to help those communities which make no endeavor to help themselves. Cities which fail to put their own financial houses in order are likely to find increasing difficulty in floating temporary loans to carry on their affairs until the taxes begin to be paid in the latter part of each year. That fact should furnish the basis for the most serious sort of reflection by Mayor-elect White and the members of the 1932 city council and school board.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/14/31

Handing Over the Delegates

Although not yet either nominated or elected, the Massachusetts delegation to the Democratic national convention is in the hands of former Governor Alfred E. Smith to do with as he pleases. This happy information was conveyed to the 1928 standard-bearer by no less an authority than our own Governor Joseph B. Ely, who, with several other prominent Democrats, including John J. Raskob, was a luncheon guest of Al in New York city last Friday. As reported by the Democratic New York Times, "What Governor Ely said was short and pointed," to wit: "The Massachusetts delegation will do what Governor Smith wants them to do."

It might also have been described as flat and final, even though it seemed to take no account of the plans or wishes of some other distinguished Massachusetts Democrats, including Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, who, according to the latest information available, is still striving for a Massachusetts delegation committed to Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt as the Democratic standard-bearer in 1932. Strangely or otherwise, Mayor Jim has been consistently overlooked in the invitations to the Smith-Raskob-Shouse series of luncheons and confabs, but this has also been true of many other Roosevelt enthusiasts, and some of them may be beginning to be a bit nervous about it.

However, that has nothing to do with Governor Ely's unconditional handing over of the still unselected Massachusetts delegation to Mr. Smith. Asked if he would say that Massachusetts is an anti-Roosevelt State, he replied, "No, not anti-Roosevelt, but strong for Smith." He even went so far as to concede that Governor Roosevelt is a "nice man," but he left no doubt whatever that in his opinion Al Smith is much nicer. Anyhow, Roosevelt is out of it so far as Massachusetts is concerned, unless finally in the generosity of his soul Mr. Smith should decide to hand over the Bay State delegates to the New York Governor.

That he may not do this is strongly hinted in the New York Times story of the luncheon, which says that the meeting "was regarded as a step in a plan to block the candidacy of Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt for the Democratic presidential nomination by preventing him from obtaining enough backing prior to the convention to insure his nomination." Describing Mr. Smith's attitude as noncommittal, The Times goes on to say that Mr. Raskob and Jouett Shouse have repeatedly been reported as working toward that end, the inference being that it was hardly likely that Smith would be working at cross purposes with his devoted friend Raskob.

Others at the Smith-Raskob luncheon who pledged their state delegations to Mr. Smith were J. Howard McGrath, chairman of the Rhode Island State Democratic Committee, and Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City, member of the Democratic National Committee and powerful in the party councils in New Jersey. Governor Cross of Connecticut and National Committeeman John R. Collins of New Hampshire, who were also guests at the luncheon, were more cagey and refused to commit themselves or their state delegations.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/13/31

CURLEY'S SON HAS LICENSE SUSPENDED

Car Killed Springfield Woman—Registrar Will Investigate

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SPRFLD. UNION 12/13/31

LICENSE SUSPENDED

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NEWBURYPORT NEWS 12/14/31

MAYORS DISCUSS REVENUE MATTERS

Methods of obtaining increased revenue for cities to meet anticipated increased expenditures next year because of welfare costs were discussed Saturday at the luncheon of the Mayors' club at Salem. Mayor George J. Bates of Salem, president of the club, presided. It was evident from remarks at the luncheon that executives were meeting with difficulty in not only getting tax payments, but were not receiving a cordial reception from banks on the matter of loans in anticipation of taxes.

Mayor Curley offered two suggestions along the line of increased revenue. He favored a law which would compel an individual seeking automobile registration to show that he had paid his automobile excise tax and, second, that the income tax on intangibles be increased from 6 to 10 percent.

LAWRENCE EAGLE 12/16/31

It is interesting to note, but not surprising, that while Governor Ely is giving Smith the Massachusetts delegation, Mayor Curley is saying kind words about Roosevelt.

BURLINGTON VT. FREE-PRESS 12/14/31

BANKERS AND FARMERS BACK BOSTON MAYOR

Representatives From Seven Counties at Biggest Meeting of the Kind Ever Held in Vermont Commend Curley's Action in Milk Situation

Bankers and farmers from Addison, Chittenden, Grand Isle, Lamoille, Rutland, Washington and Windsor counties gathered at the Fleming museum, University of Vermont, Saturday afternoon to meet Dan H. Otis, director of the agricultural committee of the American Bankers' Association, and talk over problems of common interest to bankers and farmers.

At the close of the meeting, the following telegram was sent to Mayor Curley of Boston, relating to his announcement last week that he would instruct the Boston Board of Health to exclude milk produced outside New England from the Boston market: "The Vermont Banker-Farmer meeting at Burlington today by resolution commends your action in the milk situation."

This telegram was signed by Hollis E. Gray, chairman of the Agricultural committee of the Vermont Bankers' Association. The other members of this committee are Harrie V. Hall of Burlington and H. G. Woodruff of Montpelier.

This was the biggest banker-farmer meeting ever held in Vermont and was said by Charles M. Smith of Rutland, representative of the First Federal Reserve district on the agricultural commission of the American Bankers' Association, to have been the best in a series of such meetings being held throughout the New England States. Although no general invitation was sent out for the meeting, there was an attendance of 18 agricultural college people, 35 bankers and 52 farmers from the counties mentioned above.

Joseph E. Carrigan, acting director of the Extension Service, presided at the meeting. President Guy W. Bailey of the University extended a welcome. Dean J. L. Hills of the College of Agriculture reported on the recent national conference on land utilization. P. R. Miller, Extension agronomist, outlined the pasture improvement program and pointed out how banks may co-operate in this.

Arthur H. Packard, president of the Vermont Farm Bureau, discussed a number of different projects in which both bankers and farmers are interested.

Charles M. Smith of Rutland told of the program of the agricultural commission of the American Bankers' Association to aid the farmers in various ways.

Dan H. Otis, director of the agricultural commission of the American Bankers' Association, discussed the business management of farms and outlined ways in which farmers and bankers may co-operate to solve different rural problems throughout the country.

Following the afternoon meeting, Mr. Otis and a number of other visitors went to the Ethan Allen Club house for the annual supper, following which Mr. Otis talked about the organization and development of the co-operative movement between farmers and bankers throughout the nation.

He outlined in some detail how the movement got its start from a small group called the North Lake Farm Management Club at North Lake, Wis., largely through the efforts of Burton Smith, a farmer-banker.

It was related how Mr. Smith induced the annual meeting of the Wisconsin Bankers' Association to come to his home town in North Lake. Some 800 bankers were entertained in this little town of 300 persons. An extra day was added to the convention and an agricultural exhibit was held. Mr. Otis said that one of the outstanding exhibits in one part of the large tent was two cows. The reason this exhibit attracted attention was that a sign was placed near one cow saying that animal paid a six per cent profit on the investment after all expenses were paid. Another placard said that the second cow paid 102 per cent on the investment.

So amazed was one banker, after looking the two cows over, that he jumped on the platform at the meeting and told the entire group about it. He then went back to his home town and told a group of farmers the story and explained the reason which he said was because one cow was of a great deal better stock. He interested the group of farmers in building up their dairy herds and the bank he represented loaned them money to purchase high grade cows.

The speaker gave much credit to the Extension Service and the agricultural department of the University of Wisconsin for the improvement made in the quality of the dairy cattle of the State of Wisconsin.

Mr. Otis spoke further regarding the work and organization of the agricultural committee of the American Bankers' Association.

Hollis E. Gray of Winooski, who introduced the speaker, also introduced Chauncey W. Brownell, an original charter member of the agricultural committee of the Vermont Bankers' Association; Arthur H. Packard, president of the Vermont State Farm Bureau; E. L. Ingalls, State Boys' and Girls' Club leader, who did much in organizing the meeting Saturday; and Charles M. Smith of Rutland, the member of the national agricultural committee for the First Federal Reserve district.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/9/31

MOVE TO RUIN DAIRYMEN OF N. E. CHARGED

Curley Acts to Ban Low Price N. Y. Milk from Boston.

ADDRESSING GRANGE, BLAMES BIG CONCERN

Mayor Accuses National Dairy Products Company; Production Cost Put at 6 Cents.

LOCAL CONCERN HIT

General Ice-Cream Company Charged with Forcing Farm Price Down.

Special to The Springfield Union.

BOSTON, Dec. 8—With Mayor Curley and the Massachusetts State Grange presenting a united front against the 5 cents per quart milk price established by the National Dairy Products Company, the bitter controversy provided a major issue today for the 1000 Grange delegates assembled in the Hotel Bradford for a three-day session.

Following charges by Mayor Curley that certain interests desirous of obtaining a monopoly on the milk market are trying to drive New England farmers out of business, the Health Department, at the Mayor's suggestion, issued warning that Boston dealers' licenses will be revoked if they distribute milk from sources not approved and inspected by the department.

Cost of Production.

On the basis of figures prepared by Massachusetts State College, in Amherst, Sumner R. Parker, who is attending the Grange session and is a member of the staff of the college, said that the average cost of producing a quart of milk in Massachusetts, exclusive of handling costs, is 6.17 cents per quart.

At the Grange session tonight reports were submitted by the committee on home economics and by the trustees of the educational aid fund. There were also memorial exercises and entertainment by Metropolitan Pomona Grange.

With the milk price lower than at any time since 1917, the 1000 delegates at the session, representing some 30,000 Massachusetts agriculturalists, have found the question the critical issue. The reduction here followed a similar reduction in Springfield last week.

"Ultimatum to Farmers."

Harvey Turner of Andover, chairman of the special dairy committee of the Massachusetts State Grange, said tonight, "The General Ice Cream Company of Springfield served the farmers of that district with an ultimatum that they must either sell milk for 5 cents a quart or find a market elsewhere.

"The Whiting Milk Companies have adopted similar tactics in the Boston market, threatening to turn to New York for their supply, and the ultimatum has been accepted."

He deplored the fact that the farmers were unable, because of lack of time, to organize effectively against the cut when it was suggested.

Late in the afternoon, Mr. Turner recommended that the Grange support a bill requiring all cream from outside the State, exclusive of cream used for manufacturing purposes, to be submitted to the same rigid inspection as cream from within the State. He urged also that the Grange seek the adoption of a uniform system of dairy inspection.

He said that at one time during the summer the amount of cream coming to Boston from Western States amounted to 54 per cent of all the cream consumed there. He advocated that steps be taken to keep the western product out and he said that within a year Massachusetts dairymen have organized an association working up a 10-year plan for the protection of the industry.

Blow at Farmers.

In connection with the drastic warning issued by the Health Department, Mayor Curley said, "It is quite apparent that the price established by those people attempting to obtain control of the milk situation will result in requiring the farmers of New England to sell their milk at such a low price as to drive them out of business and require them to dispose of their cattle.

"While at the present time the price of milk may appear cheap, inevitably the people of Boston will be compelled to pay more than ever before, due to the creation of such a monopoly."

At the Grange session this afternoon the Mayor was cheered when he spoke against the five-cent level. He spoke in part as follows:

"The National Dairy Products Company, a new institution, wants supreme control in this territory. They give us milk at less than the cost of production in order to drive somebody out. And when that has happened, we'll pay the penalty permanently."

He attributed the establishment of the five-cent price to notification by the Whiting Milk Companies that it would sell milk from the Sheffield Farms Company of New York at a price under five cents unless the price here was set at that figure.

M. S. C. Survey.

The survey of Massachusetts State College, setting the average production costs of milk, exclusive of handling costs, at 6.17 cents per quart, is based on costs of feed as of Dec. 5. The average yield of milk per cow is set at 5,623 pounds and the cost derived includes neither labor nor transportation expenses.

Mr. Parker estimated that handling costs would total from one and a quarter to two cents a quart. Costs of producing milk in New York, he said, are approximately three quarters of a cent less per quart. The difference was attributed to greater farm land values and to more widespread application of large scale production methods.

At the session tonight the report of the committee on home economics, presented by Mrs. Edgar H. Chandler of Needham indicated that relief of conditions caused by business depression had comprised the bulk of the committee's work. She reported the establishment of junior Granges in Medford, Worthington, Brookville, Seekonk and Attleboro.

According to a report of the educational fund trustees, presented by Evan F. Richardson of Millis, the state Granges contributed more than $15,000 during 1931. New loans were made to 64 students and 40 renewals were granted. Loans for the year, totaling $15,000 were applied to students in 44 schools and colleges in 12 States.

At 9.30 o'clock tomorrow morning the Grange delegates will elect officers. During the afternoon session, beginning at 2 o'clock, the report of committee on protection of birds will be submitted. Ralph O. Brewster, former governor of Maine, and Payson Smith, commissioner of education for Massachusetts, will speak.

At the evening session, scheduled to begin with an organ recital at 7 o'clock, Gov. Ely will speak. The sixth degree will be given in full form.

The session will close following morning and afternoon meetings on Thursday.

PROVIDENCE JOURNAL 12/9/31

CURLEY BANS NEW YORK FIRM'S MILK IN BOSTON

Charges National Dairy Products Co. Started Price War.

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12/9/31 SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN

CURLEY CHARGES PLOT TO LOWER PRICE OF MILK

Hub Mayor, in Address Before State Grange, Accuses Dairy Products Concern of Forcing Reductions

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Declares Threat Made

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The mayor's remarks were later challenged by Joseph Willman, a director of the Whiting company, who declared that the producers association had already lowered the price elsewhere in the state. He asserted any question of why the reduction had been made should be directed to that organization. Willman denied any financial connection existed between Whiting and the National Dairy Prodcuts company.

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WORCESTER TELEGRAM 12/9/31

CURLEY BLAMES OUTSIDERS FOR MILK PRICE CUT

National Dairy Products Co. Forced Slash, Mayor Charges

WARNS OF DANGER

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LOWELL COURIER CITIZEN 12/8/31

CURLEY ORDERS N. Y. MILK BAN

Says City's Prices Brought Down by National Dairy Products Co.'s Threat to Bring Empire State's Milk to Boston at Lower Cost—State Agricultural Head Offers Plan.

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SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 10/17/31

PORT DEVELOPMENT URGED BY CURLEY

Boston, Oct. 16—Marine night, arranged by the Traffic club of New England, brought together many well-known ocean, coastwise and railroad transportation men at the Copley Plaza hotel last night.

It also brought a stirring appeal from Mayor Curley for a revival of the spirit of the early people of New England who risked their money in shipping and made this port a great shipping center. He urged New England shippers to make Boston a cargo port instead of a port of call and said that if this is done other large shipping centers along the Atlantic will soon give consideration to Boston. He declared it his belief that Boston will come into its own again as a leader in shipping circles.

The mayor said that the city is prepared to spend money generously to promote industry provided sufficient interest is manifested by those who are in a position to do something to benefit this port.

12/7/31 NEW BEDFORD STANDARD

Unfair, Says Curley.

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12/9/31 SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN

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SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 10/17/31

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NORCESTER GAZETTE 12/19/31 LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 12/19/31 SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/20/31

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Special Dispatch to The Gazette

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QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 12/18/31

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LAWRENCE EAGLE 12/9/31

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LEWISTON SUN 12/9/31

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STATE HOUSE NOTES

Conference Over Boston Courthouse

From Our Special Reporter

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MEDICAL LIBERTY AVALANCHE
CHICAGO AUG. 1931

Fate of Most Notables

PEOPLE OF NOTE are all the time being polished off by regular doctors. Even the newspapers show the doctors up to that extent and you would think, unless they have stopped reading the papers that the big bugs would be warned by the many cases—nearly all their kind go that way.

Before me lies a picture of the girl James Curley, Jr., was to have married last month, if the doctors had not got hold of him in the winter. They operated, and so successfully that the father, Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, had left the hospital. Yet the young man was dead three hours after the operation.

Loretta Bremner was the girl, daughter of John B. Bremner, of Chicago.

Now shall we see the Bremners and the rest of the Curleys go hence prematurely from allopathic hands?

WORCESTER GAZETTE 12/5/31

Claims Funeral Cortege Was For "Wrong Guy"

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BOSTON, Dec. 5 (AP)—Leslie Fletcher, the chauffeur who recently drove Mayor Curley at the head of a funeral cortege for "General D. Pression," is of the opinion that they "buried the wrong guy."

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The chauffeur returned to the offices of his employer, an automobile agency, after the services to find that he was laid off "until better times."

He wrote the following to the mayor:

"Don't be surprised if you get tried for murder. You and I buried the wrong guy. It was General D. Pression's chauffeur who passed away."

WOR. TEL. 12/6/31

Mayor Curley can't remember his telephone number. Not long ago he asked the operator to get his home which has an unlisted phone. She followed the rules of the company and refused. The mayor pleaded but it was no go. He finally had to drive home for his conversation. Since then he has carried the number on a small slip in his pocket.

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CHELSEA RECORD 12/5/31

Mayor Curley reports that the expenses of the Public Welfare Department of Boston have increased 200% over those of 1928. He proposes to extend the subway out Huntington ave. to Brookline st. at an expense of $11,000,000, to aid unemployment.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 12/9/31

MILK PRODUCERS TO MEET DEALERS IN PRICE CONFERENCE

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While Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, in an address before the State Grange last night charged outsiders with forcing down milk prices in Massachusetts western counties dairymen were appointing a committee to meet with dealers and endeavor to stabilze the milk price situation.

Hampden county producers met in the County Improvement league building in West Springfield for that purpose and chose Clarence Brown of Brimfield, Frank Hulette of East Longmeadow and Philip Hall of Southwick to represent them. Hampshire diarymen will take similar action tonight.

Meanwhile distributors and dealers in Connecticut Valley markets, including several from this city, plan to meet in the Hotel Kimball to morrow night when a dealers' committee will be appointed for the conference with the producers which is expected to come in the immediate future and at which the whole price mess will be threshed out.

Mayor's Curley's charge followed a market demoralization in which the Boston milk price had been reduced three times in a week and stood at 8 cents a quart in stores, the lowest mark in 15 years.

SALEM NEWS 12/9/31

Mayor of Boston Matchmaker For Lonely Westerner

Yearning for a home on the shores of the tossing Atlantic and a woman who can "play the piano a little bit," a retired attorney in the middle west has written the office of the mayor of Boston for help—and received it.

This was revealed by Mayor Curley yesterday in an address to the Florence Crittenton League of Compassion at the home of Mrs. Wilmot R. Evans, 28 Chestnut street.

The mayor said an unemployed Boston stenographer, about 35, with the blue eyes, dark hair and pleasing personality which the lonesome westerner described as essential, and who can do "a little bit" with the piano keys, has written him, "Bring on your western Romeo."

Shortly after receiving the letter from the westerner, the stenographer applied to Mayor Curley for a position. The mayor noted that she fitted the westerner's specifications, cleared up the matter of the piano playing, and told her of the man who desired to live by the sea as his parents had done and to meet a woman like his first wife.

She departed after a decision to consider the matter. Recently she wrote that she is still unable to find work and wishes to meet the retired attorney. Mayor Curley is awaiting the arrival of the westerner in Boston.

TOWN TOPICS 12/5/31

Curley Booms Roosevelt

Town Topic Dec 5, 1931



HON. JAMES M. CURLEY
FOR GOVERNOR

New England has hearkened to the Roosevelt for President boom, lead by the great Curley of Boston. Curley, the man of vision, the unquestioned leader and most far-sighted of Massachusetts Democrats has sold Roosevelt to all New England by virtue of his dynamic personality, and by leading the way has flustered the attempts of other Democratic factions to lead New England's support to any other candidate, than Gov. Roosevelt of New York.

Payroll Frankie Donahue and Cozy Dave Walsh and his shadow, Marcus Coolidge, are trying to lead the Democrats to other channels, while Gov. Ely is pledging himself to Al Smith to hide out for the present, but the Governor should have more sense to believe that the Democrats are not all aware of the fact that Al coundn't win anyway.

Here in Lowell, Mayor Curley could have no better Lieutenant than Attorney James J. Bruin, one of Lowell's leading Democrats, and an ardent Roosevelt-for-president booster.

SPRINGFIELD REP. 12/11/31

CURLEY AT CAPITAL; SEEKS HARBOR FUND

Washington, Dec. 10—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston accompanied by his social secretary, Thomas L. Johnson, his daughter, Mary Curley, and his private secretary, arrived here yesterday to attend sessions of waterways congress and to confer with the members of the Massachusetts delegation in the House. He was at the Capitol this afternoon and posed for photographers. Tomorrow he will attend a luncheon party to which all the members of the Bay state delegation have been invited. Senator Walsh will be host.

The mayor is seeking congressional appropriation of $1,000,000 for the improvement and development of Boston harbor to make it one of the finest in the world and to aid the unemployed. He will solicit the support of the Bay state delegation for this project. He has been advised, however, that there is not the slightest possibility of getting such a bill through Congress at this time.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 12/11/31

GRANGE ENDS ITS THREE-DAY SESSION

BOSTON, Dec. 10 (AP)—The three day annual session of the Massachusetts State Grange ended here today with the installation of officers by Charles M. Gardiner of Springfield, national high priest of Demeter.

State Master Henry N. Jenks announced that he would appoint a committee to comply with Governor Joseph B. Ely's request for recommendations regarding agriculture which he can include in his messages to the legislature.

State Representative Winfred Forward of Granby, chairman of the Grange legislative committee, reported that his committee approved the recent remarks by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston regarding milk. Curley said he would order all milk not inspected by Boston inspectors excluded from Boston. Curley also deplored the low price of milk resulting from recent competition between large distributors.

ATTLEBORO SUN 12/11/31

CURLEY'S SON MAY FACE CHARGES

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NORTHAMPTON GAZETTE 12/11/31

AGREES WITH MAYOR CURLEY ON MILK PRICE CUT

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(CHANGE HEADINGS)

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/11/31

REALTY OWNERS ANSWER CURLEY

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WORCESTER TELEGRAM 12/11/31

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NEWBURYPORT NEWS 12/11/31

QUINCY PAT-LEDGER 12/11/31

SEEKS FUNDS FOR DREDGING LOCAL RIVER

Weymouth Fore River Project Plea Made by Curley

(Special to the Patriot Ledger)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston presented to member of the Massachusetts delegation in Congress at a luncheon yesterday noon, a program of port requirements for the city, which would include the widening and deepening of the Weymouth Fore River from Hingham bay to the Weymouth Fore River bridge.

The project has already been given impetus by a survey conducted of Boston Harbor as a whole and of the Weymouth Fore river. Curley seeks to have two ledges in Boston harbor removed and to have the main channel deepened.

In the Rivers and Harbors bill as passed by Congress in June 1930, provision was made for a preliminary examination and survey of the various projects. This survey has been completed and a report on it by the army engineers is pending.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 12/11/31

HUB REALTY EXCHANGE RAPS MAYOR CURLEY

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CURLEY'S SON DROVE CAR WHICH KILLED WOMAN

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It was learned last night that the police investigation of the case disclosed that the youth was driving home from a school function when he struck the woman. He was driving at a moderate rate of speed and it is police opinion that the accident could not have been avoided. It is believed that the woman was waiting for a street car and stepped off the curbing into the path of the youth's car.

FITCHBURG SENTINEL 12/11/31

Ask Complaint Accusing Mayor's Son of Manslaughter

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TOWN TOPICS 12/12/31

CURLEY CAN WIN



HON. JAMES M. CURLEY
FOR GOVERNOR

The Hon. James M. Curley, Boston's live wire mayor can win the Democratic nomination if he so desires. His Excellency, the Hon. Ely's stock in the market of democracy as much as it has arisen in the Republican market. He has been a pretty good Republican governor in most things, outside of a few appointments.

In Boston Curley has strength enough to beat Ely, even if Ely keeps in with Honey Fitz, but we hear that Martin Lomasney no longer goes for the Westfield kid.

Cities like Lowell, Lawrence, New Bedford, Fall River and Haverhill, will go big for Curley, while out in the western part of the state there is but a handful of Democrats. And his Republican friends are helpless when it comes to putting him on first base.

Only his sincere interest in the presidential success of Gov. Roosevelt can keep Curley out of the governor's fight, and he may run anyway.

LAWRENCE TRIBUNE 12/11/31

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WESTFIELD HERALD 12/11/31

Curley to Tour Nation 6 in Roosevelt's Behalf

Boston, Dec. 10—A nation-wide speaking tour this winter in behalf of the presidential candidacy of Gov Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York is being considered by Mayor James M Curley.

The tour, embracing all the larger cities of the country, would occupy the winter period Mayor Curley usually spends vacationing in Florida, it is stated here.

The mayor is working in harmonious cooperation with other sponsors of the Roosevelt candidacy. He is in frequent touch with James Roosevelt, the governor's son, who is said to be liaison between his father and prominent Democrats.

BRAINTREE ENTERPRISE 12/11/31

Mayor Curley's son, Leo P. Curley, was threatened with loss of his license to-day with the death of Miss Sally Bean, 48, who was struck down Saturday by a car Curley was driving.

N. Y. TIMES. DEC. 12. 1931

THOMAS J. HURLEY.

Chairman of Boston Street Commission Dies in Hospital.

Special to The New York Times.

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Thomas J. Hurley, chairman of the Street Commission and a recognized authority on street development in Boston for forty years, died tonight of heart disease in the Winthrop Community Hospital. He was stricken on Nov. 15 and was removed to the hospital the next day.

Though connected with city departments since 1888, he had devoted most of his service to the Street Department and in 1925 was named by Mayor Curley as chairman of the Street Commission. His duties embraced determination of all street development projects in the city.

DOVER NH. DEMOCRAT 12/12/31

The Mayor declares that while the construction programs recommended by President Hoover seem to him too conservative, he does not believe there is any concerted group movement on the part of Congress for a more radical program of courageous expenditure. If a large group in Congress supported such a program, he believes it would unquestionably receive similar support from President Hoover.

Mayor Curley has analyzed the situation clearly. President Hoover did not expect that it was his business as chief executive to play petty politics. He has tried to put through the kind of measures that would stabilize and build up the country. Petty politicians are not interested in the country. Their interest is only in the party. And because there are so many petty politicians President Hoover's task becomes doubly hard.

Mayor Curley's outspoken declaration ought to cause some of President Hoover's opponents to do a little serious thinking. The President cannot do everything alone. He must get the backing of Congress if anything is to be achieved.

BURLINGTON VT FREE PRESS 12/12/31

Gov. Wilson Approves Mayor Curley's Stand

(Special to the Free Press)

MONTPELIER, Dec. 11.—Gov. Stanley C. Wilson today issued a statement with reference to the recent developments in the milk situation in Boston.

"I have had called to my attention the statements made and action taken by Mayor Curley of Boston with reference to protecting New England milk within the Boston markets.

"Mayor Curley has taken a firm stand against admitting to the Boston markets milk from outside the New England milk sheds, and has directed the Boston Board of Health to exclude such foreign milk. He has also expressed himself very firmly in opposition to the recent cut in the milk price.

"I have wired Mayor Curley my approval of his stand with reference to milk, and have called Mayor Curley's attention to the fact that the dairy farmers of New England are supplying the New England market with milk produced under the best of health conditions, and that their protection is for the interest of consumers and of the public health."

The governor has also received a telegram from President Thomas Herlihy of the Boston Milk Dealers' Association, inquiring about his approval of a farmers' relief program, to which Gov. Wilson replied as follows:

"The governor believes the present low price is not justified. He will undoubtedly approve any farmer relief program which means increased prices for milk. Bear in mind, however, that we shall have trouble until there is a central marketing agency."

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 12/12/31

PRAISES ATTITUDE OF MAYOR CURLEY IN HIS REAL ESTATE ISSUE

To the Editor of The Daily News:—

This "Real Estate Exchange" drive at Mayor Curley and the collateral realty value of the city of Boston is only a part of the "selling short" in stocks and real estate which the whole of finance and realtor gangdom has plunged into since the autumn of 1929 following their "inflation" spell.

Shrinking the money volume shorter and shorter, to claim a "high value dollar," these sinister financiers have bred our entire "job lots" of commodities, wages and employment situation claims. the 32 feet of famous Marston's restaurant frontage on upper Hanover street near Scollay square, and of 92 feet depth, isn't worth $4000 a front foot in the city of Boston at its very business center—will someone tell us what? And why?

Here's power to Mayor Curley in picking up this issue, and showing up the whole infernal plot of "short" selling and "short" claims which have been brought on, by short volume currency and corresponding depression of realty values, the whole range of municipal and personal ails that affect so needlessly our republic, betrayed by such unpatriotic sinister policies, while super-abundant gold is hoarded.

REALTY.

Springfield, Dec. 11.

WOBURN TIMES 12/12/31

MAYOR CURLEY

RETURNS HOME

Mayor Curley returned home last night from Washington expressing confidence that his three-day visit to the capital would result in the appropriation of federal funds for the proper development of the harbor facilities here.

Congressmen from various sections of the country with whom he conferred had agreed to support the United Bay State delegation in the fight to obtain at last improvements for this port which have been the subject of agitation for a score of years.

While picking up congressional votes for Boston appropriations in the rivers and harbors bill, the Mayor took advantage of his opportunity to inquire regarding the political sentiment in varous sections of the country on the impending presidential campaign.

"Governor Roosevelt of New York will win the Democratic nomination on the second ballot, after the favorite sons split their home town bouquets on the first roll call," said the Mayor.

BOSTON MARINE GUIDE 12/12/31

MAYOR ASKS FOR HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS

Boston Marina Guide Dec 12, 1931

Mayor James M. Curley was in Washington this past week seeking the aid of congressmen for the allotment of some $4,000,000 for improvement of Boston harbor and adjacent waters, such improvements to include deepening the main ship canal, removal of shoal spots, etc. Boston, in years past, has received but little improvement from the government, while other ports have received considerable aid, and it is pleasing to note that our Mayor has taken the time to go to Washington to make a personal espousal of the cause of the Port of Boston.

Representatives of the Intercoastal steamship lines were in Washington during the past week conferring with the U. S. Shipping Board on the matter of reorganization of the Intercoastal conference. Agreement was recently reached by all of the lines in the trade not to quote special rates beyond February 1st in the expectation that by that time a new tariff would be put into effect. It is quite probable that the lines themselves will adopt a conference shortly, or regulation by either the Shipping Board or the Interstate Commerce Commission will probably occur, and the lines will not wish to control themselves rather than have the government do it.

MILFORD NEWS 12/12/31

NO ACTION YET

Boston, Dec. 11—Pending further investigation, it was said today no action has been taken by Morgan T. Ryan, registrar of motor vehicles, against Leo Curley, 16-year-old son of Mayor Curley, reported as named by Back Bay police as the operator of the automobile which struck Miss Sally Bean, 48, of Springfield, early Saturday morning. Miss Bean died at Boston City hospital last night.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/12/31

YOUNGMAN SEES CURLEY AS RIVAL IN 1932 CONTEST

Addresses Newly-Organized Council in Westfield; Sees Hard Fight but "Encouraging Signs."

WESTFIELD, Dec. 11—"I would like to announce to Gov. Ely that the Republican party still lives," declared Lieut. Gov. William S. Youngman tonight in an address before the recently organized Hampshire-Hampden Republican District Council at a supper meeting in the new Park Square Hotel.

"Nobody seems inclined to oppose me for the nomination for governor in 1932," he declared. Following his main address he said: "I would like to say that you will have Mayor Curley of Boston as the Democratic nominee in 1932. We'll have to battle in 1932, but the signs are encouraging."

Lieut.-Gov. Youngman outlined probabilities of the Nation returning to normalcy.

Notes Road Controversy.

In his introductory remarks he briefly mentioned "the burlap road" controversy in the eastern part of the State, stating "I do not think there will be much more of the State's money spent on burlap roads."

Herbert R. Thorpe of Westfield, chairman of the council, presided. Among those attending were Mayor and Mrs. Homer C. Bliss of Northampton, Mayor-elect Raymond H. Cowing of Westfield, State Committeewoman Mrs. Sidney Bailey and Mr. Bailey of Northampton, Mrs. Lottie Corbin, president of the Northampton Woman's Republican Club and Mrs. Harry B. Putnam, president of the Westfield Woman's Republican Club. Both Mayor Bliss and Mayor-Elect Cowing spoke briefly. The resignation of Mrs. Clifton Johnson of Hadley as council secretary was accepted and Mrs. Charles H. Beals of Westfield was named in her place.

Mr. Youngman continued in part, "Nobody can forget the crash in the American stock market on Black Friday, the 13th of November, 1929. B. C. in the religious world means before Christ; B. C. in the financial world means before the crash.

Hoover Scheme Praised.

"The almost universal question asked of financial men is 'When is this depression going to stop?' I cannot answer that question. Nobody can. I believe I can, however, give a very important assurance and that is that at least one active cause of the panic was removed by the huge credit scheme announced by President Hoover, now called the National Finance Corporation. By making available nearly a billion dollars out of which to make loans to banks on staple securities, the President succeeded in supplying a check to the down rush of the market. In the language of Dwight Morrow, 'President Hoover on Oct. 6th put out some of the fire.' This does not mean the trouble is over. The financial structure is still in such a condition that it has got to be rebuilt. That rebuilding must be done slowly. The general effect at first was to restore confidence and second to begin to thaw the frozen assets that were forcing many of the banks to close their doors."

In his closing paragraph, Lieut. Gov. Youngman stated his belief in the effectiveness of the Federal Reserve banking system with the result that this country never faced a truly financial crisis.

"There have been hard times all over the world but by the constructive and courageous action of the President, the panic has been prevented from going to the depth which it otherwise would. We are going to have improvement but eventually we are going to have the wheels of industry humming and we will have another period of great prosperity in America."

Chairman Thorpe was empowered to name a committee to arrange the program for the next meeting of the council.

NEW BURY PORD NEWS 12/12/31

MAYORS SUGGEST SOME REFORMS IN STATE FINANCING

BOSTON, Dec. 13—Methods of obtaining increased revenue for cities to meet anticipated increased expenditures next year because of welfare costs were discussed yesterday at the luncheon of the Mayors' club at the Parker House. Mayor George J. Bates of Salem, president of the club, presided. It was evident from remarks at the luncheon that executives were meeting with difficulty in not only getting tax payments, but were not receiving a cordial reception from banks on the matter of loans in anticipation of taxes.

Mayor Curley offered two suggestions along the line of increased revenue. He favored a law which would compel an individual seeking automobile registration to show that he had paid his automobile excise tax and, second, that the income tax on intangibles be increased from 6 to 10 percent.

Mayor Andrew A. Casassa of Revere said that cities were experiencing difficulty in borrowing from banks, and proposed that in view of the State having a surplus of cash there be some legislation to make it possible for cities needing money to borrow it from the state.

Mayor Ashley of New Bedford called attention to the fact that cities are compelled to pay to the state assessments on old age pensions, etc., at specified times irrespective of the time the cities wait for their money, and that the state then lends to Fall River, which is administered by state officials, money at 3½ percent, while other cities having trouble in borrowing money at almost any price.

Mayor Bates seeks to receive from the state the one-cent gasoline tax instead of one half of the tax, which is now divided; much of it going to towns that are not suffering because of public welfare expenditures.

WORCESTER GAZETTE 12/12/31

SUPPORT PLEDGED ALFRED E. SMITH

Governor Ely Forecasts Aid of Bay State Delegation at Convention

Special Dispatch to The Gazette

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. — Former Gov. Alfred E. Smith of New York will have the support of the Massachusetts delegation to the Democratic National convention, Gov. Joseph B. Ely of Massachusetts said yesterday, following a luncheon at which Mr. Smith was host to Democratic wet leaders of six Eastern states.

J. Howard McGrath, Democratic state chairman from Rhode Island, made a similar statement, and Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City added to this symposium of Smith support with the remark that "New Jersey is always a Smith state."

Other guests at the luncheon were Gov. Wilbur F. Cross of Connecticut, Gov.-elect A. Harry Moore of New Jersey; Robert Jackson, national committeeman from New Hampshire; Sedgwick Kistler and John R. Collins, national committeeman and Democratic state chairman, respectively, from Pennsylvania, and John J. Raskob, chairman of the Democratic national committee.

En Route to Capital

The only definite statements of Smith support were made by Governor Ely, Mayor Hague and Mr. McGrath. The Massachusetts governor announced that he was on his way to Washington, to attend the dinner of the Gridiron club, and as most of the other guests were in the city at the same time, Mr. Smith invited them to lunch and the privilege of inspecting New York from the tower of his Empire State building.

Although termed a friendly luncheon the meeting was regarded by political observers as a plan to block the candidacy of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt for the Democratic presidential nomination by preventing him from obtaining enough backing prior to the convention to insure his election. Mr. Smith refused to comment on the luncheon.

What Governor Ely said was short and pointed: "The Massachusetts delegation will do what Governor Smith wants them to," he stated.

This statement from the Massachusetts leader of the Democratic party was considered particularly significant in face of declarations by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston that he would support the candidacy of Roosevelt. Curley was an important factor in the Smith victory in Massachusetts in 1928 and his change to Roosevelt now has the politicians guessing.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 12/10/31

A Typical Bostonian

"To be the friend of such a typical Bostonian is in itself a [illegible]eme honor and a matter of plea[illegible] for many years.

"I have recently returned from a visit in Europe, where I was the guest of the French Republic at a great exposition, featuring the accomplishments of the men and women of the French Colonial possessions. It was a magnificent tribute to the art, science, commerce, industry and literature of the sons and daughters of France.

"Incident to my visit, I had the honor to call upon the great governmental leaders of several of the leading nations of Europe.

"They were compelled to live in an atmosphere circumspect in its opportunity for personal environment and were carefully guarded lest harm should befall them.

"But in Dr. Kendall, our delightful guest of honor, we realize the friendship of a man who is surrounded by devoted lifetime companions, who are impossible to recall in exact figures, and who enjoys a freedom in companionship among men that is ever delightful tribute to his sterling merits as a man.

"Dear Dr. Kendall, may the future years bring to you their every compliment and happiness, and the further tribute of devoted friends whose number are beyond computation and as many as the sands of the ocean."

What Price Cheaper Milk?

MAYOR CURLEY of Boston, addressing members of the State Grange, said: "It is quite apparent that the price established by those people (interests said by him to be trying to control distribution of milk) will result in farmers of New England being forced to sell their herds. They give us milk at less than the cost of production to drive somebody out. And when that has happened, we'll pay the penalty permanently."

The public, truly, views the "milk war" with uneasy doubts. Not that cheaper milk is unwelcome, a saving of a dollar or two on the monthly bill being gratifying to any householders. But if this saving is effected by gouging struggling farmers, or by substituting for the Massachusetts standard of milk a product which does not meet this standard, the saving justifies suspicion.

The consumer may reason that the "milk war" is none of his business; that when prices are cut ruthlessly and without regard for production costs, it is to his advantage, but this is specious reasoning. Milk is a necessary of life. Children's health depends on an adequate supply, and that the supply be clean, fresh and rich. Sympathy must swing against a "war" by distributors which threatens the source. The milk producer, like other workers, is entitled to a living wage in the form of a fair price for his product.

MANCHESTER N. H. UNION 12/11/31

PATRONS PROTEST MILK PRICE CUTS AS UNNECESSARY

Mayor Curley of Boston Commended for Excluding Outside N. E. Milk

BUDGET FOR TOWNS IS ENDORSED AT MEETING

Condemns Reds, Soviet and Reaffirms Stand on 18th Amendment

BY A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

KEENE, Dec. 10.—Branding the recent two-cent drop in the Boston milk price as "unnecessary, unjust and cruel in its application," the New Hampshire grange today took a clean-cut stand on all important phases of the milk marketing question and provided its executive committee with $500 expense money for doing anything in its power to bring relief to hard-hit New Hampshire farmers.

Resolutions, many of which brought cheers when passed, protest the two recent one-cent cuts in the Boston milk price, commend Mayor Curley of Boston for his emergency action in excluding outside milk during the present crisis, demand that milk brought into the Boston market from outside New England hereafter be subjected to the same rigid inspection as is New England milk, call on New England to move immediately to supply both its milk and cream requirements from within its area, and recommend the immediate start of the New England Dairies, Inc., the skeleton framework of which cooperative selling agency has already been set up.

Grange Officers Installed.

The 58th annual State Grange sessions ended Thursday afternoon with the installation of officers for 1932-33 by Minor Ives, former state master of Connecticut, assisted by Mrs. Ives and Mrs. Wesley Adams of Londonderry. Officers installed are John A. Hammond of Laconia, state master, and all other members of his staff the past two years, with the exception of the election of Miss Ethel Johnson of North Stratford, as Pomona.

Several hundred grangers remained for the installation ceremonies, although the great majority of the 1,500 farm folks attending left Keene at noontime, to be back home tonight in time for the chores. The 58th convention did business before a packed City Hall every day and evening. The program included the 28th annual conference of grange lecturers and the 10th annual conference of home and community welfare workers, besides conferring of the sixth degree, exemplification of other degrees, public receptions and programs and a 9 a. m. to 11 p. m. schedule daily.

The Grange took a definite stand on numerous problems. It condemned Communism and Soviet Russia for the spreading of Red doctrines. It reaffirmed its stand on the 18th Amendment and prohibition in general, and strengthened its fight to continue prohibition by calling on the State Board of Education to make the teaching of the harm in alcohol and narcotics a part of its required school work.

It called on the towns to adopt the budget form of government and to live within their means and spend more economically. It urged local granges to seek out young farmers who are finding the sledding hard and help them, with both money and encouragement, to continue in business on the soil. It called again for better police protection in the rural sections, including farm property and the possessions of summer residents. Still another resolution advocates more federal aid on farm to market roads, commonly called local highways.

George H. Nevers of Jefferson, for 57 years a member of the grange, played an important part in the drafting of the resolutions that set forth the grange's stand on the milk situation today. His recommendations and those of the committee's own making came to the floor of the assembly with the full support of the state agricultural committee, which includes Arthur W. McDaniel of Nottingham, state overseer; Charles Rollins of Alton, general state deputy; Levi P. Fisher of Boscawen, deputy; George L. Frazer of Monroe, deputy, and Laurence A. Carlisle of Concord, deputy commissioner of agriculture.

Protesting the present price of milk in Boston, the grange resolution reads: "Resolved—That the New Hampshire State Grange protests the two recent cuts in the price of milk, bringing the base price from seven to five cents per quart delivered in Boston, and making a reduction that represents the greatest sacrifice to the dairy industry of New England it has been called on to make in its history, which is unnecessary, unjust and cruel in its application."

Mayor Curley Praised.

Mayor Curley is commended in a resolution that reads: "Resolved—That in view of the stand taken by Mayor Curley of Boston excluding

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milk from outside New England during this period of price disturbance in the Boston market, the New Hampshire Grange send Mayor Curley an expression of appreciation for his stand against importation of milk from outside New England not subject to the inspection of the Boston Board of Health."

In urging New England to supply her own milk and cream needs, and in provision of a $500 working fund for the state executive committee on this present situation, the resolution reads: "Resolved—That it is the sense of this meeting that the New England dairymen should produce and supply the full amount of both milk and cream demanded by New England consumers, and that all milk and cream sold in the New England markets be subjected to the same sanitary requirements and supervision as that produced and sold by our New England dairies, and that such cream supplies as may come from outside the New England producing area shall be only in such quantities as may be needed to meet emergency demands."

In calling for the immediate functioning of the New England Dairies, Inc., New Hampshire grangers resolved—"That we believe the only relief in the present situation lies in the immediate organization and operation of the proposed New England Dairies, Inc., for the purposes of equalizing the production and stabilizing the market, and we urge haste on the part of those who are working out plans for this organized achievement.

"Further, be it resolved that the grange appropriate $500 or such part as may be needed, to be used as the executive committee may direct, to aid in accomplishing this purpose or in otherwise stabilizing the dairy industry."

ATTLEBORO SUN 12/11/31

UPHOLDS CURLEY ON MILK PRICE

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NORTHERN TIMES 12/11/31

SALLY BEAN KILLED BY AUTO RECALLED HERE

Miss Sally Bean, 48, of 138 Byers St. Springfield, who died last night in the City Hospital, Boston, as the result of injuries sustained when she was struck by an automobile driven by Leo Curley, 16 year old son of Mayor Curley of Boston, was known to many people in this city.

Miss Bean will be recalled in connection with the cooking show staged in Times Hall, several months ago, when the use of electrical appliances in the home was demonstrated to many people. She was in charge of the cooking and she impressed the hundreds who attended with her pleasing personality and the ability she displayed in the demonstration.

She was employed by the Edison Company and was a favorite with the Edison officials and employes with whom she worked most enthusiastically and effectively in impressing upon the public the advantages of electric cooking appliances.

The accident that resulted in her death occurred at Huntington Ave., near Forsyth St., Back Bay, early Saturday morning. According to the information given out by the Boston police, Miss Bean stepped from the curbing in front of the machine and the accident could not have been avoided. The police report states that the young man was driving at a moderate rate of speed.

Miss Bean's condition was not believed to be critical when she was first taken to the hospital but internal injuries caused by broken ribs, developed later and she died at 9.18 last night.

It was understood in police circles last night that the young man recently received the machine as a birthday gift. He is a student at the Boston Latin School and was a member of the football squad at the school during the season just past.

Mayor Curley was in Washington last night. It was learned that the police investigation of the case disclosed that the youth was driving home from a school function when he struck the woman. He was driving at a moderate rate of speed and it is police opinion that the accident could not have been avoided. It is believed that the woman was waiting for a street car and stepped off the curbing into the path of the youth's

LOWELL COURIER CITIZEN 12/11/31

CURLEY URGES TRADE OF LEGISLATIVE VOTES

Asks Bay Staters to Help Projects for Mississippi If Later Aids Cape Cod Canal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10. (AP).—A trade in Congressional support between Massachusetts and Mississippi river waterway project advocates was proposed to the Deper Waterways convention today by Mayor James M. Curley of Boston.

The mayor said he would urge the Massachusetts congressional delegation "to support the Mississippi river project for an expenditure of two billion dollars by the government for flood control, hydro-electric development and commercial development and in return expected that the delegates from the territory served by the Mississippi river would support the projects which Massachusetts is interested in, namely, the Cape Cod canal and the harbor developments, including the removal of lower middle ground and the deepening of the channel to 40 feet from President roads in Boston harbor to the navy yard, the widening and deepening of the channel to the Fore River ship yards in Quincy, which would represent an expenditure of four million dollars."

The mayor said he received "very general assurance" from the delegates that they "would work with us on the projects."

After conferences with Senator Walsh and Representatives McCormack, Douglass and Granfield of Massachusetts, it was determined that the state congressional delegation would meet at luncheon to discuss matters of legislation affecting Massachusetts and Boston.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/11/31

State Grange Ends Session

Officers Are Inducted by Charles M. Gardner.

BOSTON, Dec. 10—(AP) The three-day annual session of the Massachusetts Grange ended here today with the instalation of officers by Charles M. Gardner of Westfield, national high priest of Demeter.

State Master Henry N. Jenks announced that he would appoint a committee to comply with Gov. Joseph B. Ely's request for recommendations regarding agriculture which he may include in his message to the Legislature.

State Representative Winfred Forward of Granby, chairman of the Grange legislative committee, reported that his committee approved the recent remarks of Mayor James M. Curley of Boston regarding milk. Curley said he would order all milk not inspected by Boston inspectors excluded from Boston. Curley also deplored the low price of milk resulting from recent competition between large distributors.

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BAY STATE EXTENDS RULE BY DEMOCRATS

Nine Cities of More Than 100,000 Population Elect Mayors of That Persuasion.

PARTY LEADERS PLEASED

But They Would Feel Easier if They Knew What Mayor Curley of Boston Plans for 1932.

By F. LAURISTON BULLARD.
Editorial Correspondence, THE NEW YORK TIMES

BOSTON, Dec. 10.—There are thirty-nine cities in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Their combined populations account for nearly three-fourths of the total population of the State. Within a few weeks elections have been held in two-thirds of these cities. Nine of them have populations in excess of 100,000.

For the first time in the history of the Commonwealth, Democratic Administrations will soon be in power in all of these nine. Conditions in the cities of smaller size are very mixed. Elections took place in thirteen of them on Tuesday and Republicans were returned to office in most instances, but the electorates did not divide strictly on party lines, and ten of the winning candidates for Mayoralties were running on non-partisan tickets. All in all the Democrats are getting more comfort out of the present situation than are the Republicans.

In Boston, of course, Mayor Curley is in the midst of his third four-year, non-consecutive term. The intentions of this formidable campaigner when his term shall close, or before it ends, form one of the most interesting and perplexing speculations in political circles.

Across the Charles River in Cambridge in early November, Richard M. Russell, the son of former Governor Billy Russell, was elected to a second term as Mayor, when the city recorded the biggest vote ever cast there with the one exception of that in the last Presidential election. Springfield, six weeks ago, gave Mayor Dwight R. Winter a two-to-one victory over the Republican aspirant. Worcester recorded the greatest Democratic win in years by electing John C. Mahoney as Mayor by about 6,000. Fall River has only 40,000 registered votes and 35,000 went to the polls on Dec. 2, when a Democratic member of the City Council defeated the Mayor in office by 1,800. The financial difficulties of the city probably had something to do with the verdict.

Democrat Won Second Term.

Lynn gave a Democrat, running on a non-partisan ticket, a second term by the largest majority ever polled for that office. Lowell Democrats obtained a general victory in November and a Democrat defeated the Republican Mayor, who sought a third term. The other cities in this class are New Bedford, where Mayor Ashley remains in office as though a permanent fixture, and Somerville, where the election was very close.

The Republicans did better in the smaller cities yesterday. All but two of the successful Mayoral candidates, however, ran on non-partisan tickets. In Brockton and Woburn alone did the Republican candidates win as Republicans. The most dazzling feature of these elections was the outcome in Chicopee, adjacent to Springfield, where, with five candidates in the running, a Republican won the Mayoralty, whereas in the Gubernatorial election of last year Ely, the Democrat, defeated Allen, the Republican, by 8,000 to 3,000. Interesting also is the situation in Ely's home city of Westfield. The campaign was vindictive, and personalities abounded. A Republican defeated the Democratic incumbent by the largest sweep recorded in the relatively brief life of Westfield as a city.

In some of these cities the results were foregone conclusions. Sinclair Weeks, son of the late John W. Weeks, had no opposition for another term in Newton. Salem's Mayor won a fifth term, Malden's a fourth, Gloucester's a third. In yet another city, North Adams, where no Mayor was to be elected, the Democrats, after the warmest fight in years, obtained a majority of the offices to be filled.

The Republicans appear to be the more disturbed over these developments. Witness the unsanctioned meeting of the "young Republicans," sometimes called "Independents," and sometimes "insurgents," although repudiating both designations, on Monday night. It did not produce the fireworks which had been expected. Distinguished men and women were present. Definite things were said. Some of the speakers had been in active opposition to the State organization within a few years. No executive of the State committee had been invited to the meeting, but at the same time the committee made no protest. The outcome of the Mayoralty contests in the bigger cities is believed to have furnished the major reason for this get-together. It was assumed that there would be a statement of policies and that the Old Guard regulars would have to make the best of it. Henry Cabot Lodge, grandson of the late Senator, formulated four main issues, prohibition resubmission, increased national defense, more definite foreign policies and reduction of bureaucracy, including the abandonment of the Farm Board.

Their Eyes on 1932.

It is obvious that Republican leaders are wondering if they can carry the State in 1932. Lieut. Gov. Youngman is almost certain to have the Republican nomination although he is persona non grata to most of the party leaders. Governor Ely will probably try for another term. The rumor persists that Mayor Curley will enter the field against Ely but it appears to be taken less seriously than it was a few months ago. Many believe he will wait for 1934 and there have been hints of late that he might aspire meantime to a Cabinet position.

Mr. Curley is the one Democratic leader in the State who thus far has come out with a square announcement of his choice for the Democratic candidate for President next year. He stands unequivocally for Governor Roosevelt of New York. The Massachusetts Governor and the two Democratic Senators from this State as well as the chairman of the State committee favor an unpledged delegation to the national convention. This difference of opinion as to what the party policy should be may widen into a rift of some significance, but both the Democrats and the Republicans are well aware that unity is essential in the face of the enemy in a State whose political future may be decided next year.

Meantime it may be noted that at Washington the Democrats are faring far better in committee appointments than might have been expected when it is considered that the South is always Democratic and the Bay State is not. Massachusetts has four Democratic Congressmen and all four have been well paced in the lower House. The national organization is aware of what may happen here in a year or so.

NO. ADAMS TRANSCRIPT 12/11/31

Case of Curley's Son 6 Put Off Till Dec. 16

Boston, Dec. 11—(A.P.)—Application for a complaint charging Leo Curley, 16, son of Mayor James M. Curley, with manslaughter in the death of Miss Sally Bean, 48, of Springfield, who was fatally injured by the boy's automobile, was deferred to Dec. 16 today in Dorchester court. The woman was struck by the automobile last Saturday and died in a hospital yesterday.

LEXINGTON TIMES-MINUTEMAN 12/11/31

General D. Pression has been buried several times, but he doesn't appear to stay put. One would naturally think that after Mayor Curley had dropped him into the water off one of the wharves, the old fellow would kind of play around with Davy Jones for a while. Or, maybe he likes the attention he is getting from the great and near great. However, someone is going to lay him low one of these days.

SPRINGFIELD REP 12/11/31

ROOSEVELT IS STRONG MAYOR CURLEY FINDS

Washington, Dec. 10—Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, a visitor here today, found remarkable sentiment for the nomination of Gov Roosevelt of New York for the Presidency on the Democratic ticket.

"I have talked with members of Congress and others from states where the "favorite son Dodge" is being encouraged, and find every one of them sheepishly admitting that regardless of pressure for the first ballot, they propose supporting as the nominee of the party the Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt."

Mayor Curley urged the Massachusetts delegation in Congress to support a project calling for expenditure of $2,000,000,000 for flood control, hydro-electric development and commerce on the Mississippi river.

SPRINGFIELD NEWS 12/12/31

CURLEY'S SON HAS LICENSE TAKEN BY 6 RYAN IN ACCIDENT

(Special Dispatch to The Daily News)

Boston, Dec. 12—Registrar Morgan T. Ryan today suspended the operator's license of Leo F. Curley, 16-year-old son of Mayor James M. Curley of Boston, whose car struck and killed Miss Sally Bean, 48, of 130 Byers street, Springfield, in Boston on the 10th.

Complete investigation will be made of the accident and if it is found that young Curley was not seriously at fault his license will be restored to him.

BOSTON REVIEW 12/12/31

Anti-Curley Leaders Try To Muster His Foemen Under Anti-Roosevelt Standards

Eight Months Ago It Looked As If New York Governor's Campaign in Massachusetts Might Be Directed By Opponents Of Mayor—Somehow Or Other, It Got Away From Them—Another Star Has Fallen, This Time In Newburyport—And Now Very Dark Horse Is Being Rubbed Down For Race With Youngman

By Matthew Cotton

Opponents of Mayor Curley in the Massachusetts Democracy—and, as a rule, his opponents in his own party are political friends of Gov. Ely—are already making it clear that, if they can prevent, he will not be the leader of the Massachusetts delegation to the Democratic national convention and will not be permitted to assume the New England leadership. It may not be generally known, although it is known to the politicians, that some of Mayor Curley's Democratic opponents would prefer to see the party candidate for President defeated than to have Mayor Curley prominent in the selection of a nominee.

That, it will be admitted by any fair-minded partisan, is not the spirit of true Democracy, but it exists, and it seems to be growing. It happens that, in his own right, Gov. Ely has not a large following in Boston, but earnest efforts are being made to increase the size of that following by transferring to it in bulk all of Mayor Curley's Boston opponents. How difficult that task will be remains to be seen. Meanwhile the Mayor's ability to cover a lot of ground, politically, and otherwise, is serving him to good purpose at the present time. He has an exceptional ability to look far ahead and do a lot of intensive thinking while others are making up their minds whether it pays to think.

Eight months ago it looked as if the Roosevelt banner in this section of the country would be in the custody of those who are not classed among Mayor Curley's warmest admirers. Without any apparent effort His Honor is today guardian of the Roosevelt boom in Massachusetts and is welcoming as recruits those who, only a comparatively short time ago, thought that the political future of Franklin D. Roosevelt was in their friendly hands.

Andrew J. Gillis, in many respects the most remarkable mayor that Newburyport ever had or is likely to have, is a victim of an ungrateful constituency. He had aimed to be the first mayor of the city to achieve a third term. He missed his aim. He was beaten in five out of six wards, and his successful opponent, according to the dispatches, is "a retired shoe manufacturer" who has seen less than fifty years.

If Gillis had to beaten, and undoubtedly he had to be, why could it not have been done by somebody who had not "retired"—an active politician like Gillis himself, or possibly a shoe manufacturer who is still doing business. The blow must seem all the harder to Gillis' friends because of the fact that "Bossy" as he is familiarly known, has cherished an ambition for a higher position than that of mayor. However, he achieved two terms as chief executive of the old city, and that should satisfy him. It seems to have been enough for the voters.

Mayors come and mayors go. Many of them are elected for no good reason, and many of them are defeated for just as poor reasons. The active politicians of comparatively small cities grow impatient at the leisurely manner of mayors in keeping campaign promises privately made. Boston now has a mayor who is serving his third term of four years. When he shall have completed it he will have a record of twelve years in the mayoralty, and that has not been equalled or approached by any other mayor of this city.

That sounds interesting. But who is the dark horse? Is his candidacy to remain a secret until next spring or summer. Is it not barely possible that he may be kept under blankets, so to speak, for so long a time that the voters will take little interest in his candidacy when he is brought forward for inspection and faces the newspaper cameras? And what is the outlook for Republican success at the polls next November if Lieutenant Governor Youngman should be defeated for the nomination? And what would be the outlook for Republican success if he should be renominated?

BURLINGTON SUBURBAN LIST 12/17/31

BOSTON FOR NEW ENGLAND

Boston is interested in protecting the New England milk market for New England producers. In the face of a threat, one of the large milk dealers to bring in milk to Boston from New York brought forth a rebuke from Mayor Curley. He directed the Boston Board of Health to exclude foreign milk from the Boston market and also expressed himself very firmly in opposition to the recent cut in the milk price.

It is well known that milk going to Boston from the New England territory is inspected by the Boston Board of Health. This inspection extends from the city plants through to the country creameries and back to the farmers where the milk is produced. It is done to protect the health of the consumers.

It may be there is an efficient inspection in New York but it is not as thorough in some of the western states. Anyway the Boston inspection does not extend beyond New England lines.

But while Boston excludes uninspected milk yet it does take cream from western states which is uninspected. This does not seem a consistent policy. If there is danger from unhealthy milk, there is certainly equal danger from unhealthy cream. With adequate protection New England can produce enough whole milk and cream to supply the entire New England market.

As an economic proposition Boston would find it of advantage to get all its milk and cream from its nearby neighbor. Thousands and thousands of dollars of Vermont money goes into Boston every year to buy merchandise. When the milk producers in this state are prosperous Boston gets more of this money than it does when things are down.

At the present price of milk Boston will get practically nothing in this line of trade and that's about what the city gets from the milk producers of the western states where Boston is buying its cream. The Hub city takes the money it gets from the Vermont dairymen in trade and sends it out west to buy cream. It's not a fair shake.

It is gratifying that Mayor Curley has taken a firm stand to exclude whole milk from the Boston market but the ruling should go still further and exclude cream as well.

This would not be a discrimination against the dairymen of the west. It would simply be a reciprocity business plan between the Boston merchandise market and the milk producers of Vermont. This principle of trading has been recognized for years and is taken into account in tariff regulations with trade deals between countries. It is equally as important as applying between Boston and the rest of New England.

GAZETTA DEL MASSACHUSETTS 12/20/31

THE STAGGERING COST OF RELIEF

The expenditure of nearly $7,000,000 in Boston this year for the maintenance of the public welfare department is illuminating evidence of the reason for the substantial increase in municipal costs. It represents, almost entirely, the difference between the amount of the city budget this year and that of 1930.

The generosity of the taxpayers, whose attitude has been accurately interpreted by Mayor Curley, has set a new and commendable record in the history of the manner in which American cities have helped the victims of unemployment.

Any city which spends $7,000,000 upon the destitute and the needy deserves to be recognized as a community of people which is determined that no one shall go hungry or without a home.

It is a singular fact that no one has even intimated that Mayor Curley has been unduly generous in his treatment of those who have been compelled to ask the municipality to aid them.

Undoubtedly there have been recipients of public aid who have been undeserving. There have been men and women without scruples who have taken advantage of conditions. There are still some who are drawing aid from the city who are not entitled to it.

Happily they are a small minority. Mayor Curley knows of them but does not know them. His position is sound that it is far better to permit a few unscrupulous persons to prey upon the city than it is to enforce such drastic regulations that actual hardships would be imposed upon thousands.

It is possible that a day of reckoning may come when things change for the better. The thieves who have stolen money from the welfare department by misrepresentation of their condtiions may find themselves facing criminal charges as well as the unavoidable necessity of returning the money which they have stolen.

BURLINGTON VT FREE-PRESS 12/22/31

Looking To Mayor Curley

(Waterbury Record)

There is a feeling this State, among those who are pursuing the most honorable occupation one knows anything about, farming, that Honorable James M. Curley, mayor of the city of Boston, is the man of the hour, the one man to look to at this particular time to restore milk prices to a point where the farmers throughout the New England States, especially in Vermont, will receive a living wage for their labor. In Mayor Curley's recent address before the Massachusetts State Grange, he said things, and if such utterances had been given before the drop in prices of milk, the lowering of the price of the price of milk would not have occurred. We are positive on this point, it is so viewed by the producers of milk throughout the New England States, that Mayor Curley has called the bluff of the big wholesale milk distributing plants. He told them, publicly, that they can not break the market, keep prices down, by bootlegging milk and cream into the city of which he is the chief executive officer. He will not permit milk or cream, especially milk, to be distributed in Boston unless it passes the City of Boston health standard, which means that it must be produced in the New England States area, an area kept up to standard by the city of Boston health department, of which, by virtue of his office, Mayor Curley is chairman ex-officio. Mayor Curley alone has the power, and we truly believe the determination, the punch, to restore to the farmers of the New England States a legitimate milk and cream price, sufficient to guarantee a living wage to producers of milk, cream and dairy products.

CAMBRIDGE RECORDER 12/19/31

FR. BLUNT, PASTOR AND POET, HONORED

Cambridge Priest Writes Foreword To Poem Collections

Rev. Hugh F. Blunt, L.L.D., pastor of St. John's Church, North Cambridge, and noted poet, has been honored by being the author of the foreword of a collection of poems, "Our Lady's Choir," composed by Catholic Sisters in various districts throughout the United States, which appeared in circulation this week. The publication was edited by William Stanley Braithwaite, eminent poetry critic, who collected the poem-gems of many nun-poetesses in this country.

Five special copies of the book bound in leather and having autographed copies of the poems are a feature of the edition. One of these copies is being sent to Pope Pius XI and one to each of the four United States Cardinals.

A special de luxe edition has been autographed by Cardinal O'Connell and will be distributed to a list of patrons and patronesses that includes many prominent citizens of the country. These de luxe copies will cost $125 each. There will also be another edition at $10 per copy and the regular trade edition.

Ralph Adams Cram, celebrated Boston Architect is the author of the introduction to the poems. The book is dedicated to the late Mrs. Mary E. Curley, wife of Mayor James M. Curley of Boston.

WORCESTER TEL 12/20/31

Laughter Won't Hurt.

(Boston Transcript.)

"General D. Pression" was consigned to the waters of the harbor with Mayor Curley as leading mortician, a band playing a dirge in jazz time, and chorus girls singing "Happy Days Are Here Again." After that, if it be true that the depression is entirely psychological, the dawn of a new and better day may be expected. Now is the winter of our discontent made glorious summer by the son of Boston who pushed the black pine coffin off the ferryboat.....

There are people who may regard the obsequies of "General D. Pression" as a bit of tomfoolery unsuited to troubled days. But ability to enjoy the ludicrous will not delay the return of good times even if it does not hasten it. A little laughter may lighten a vast deal of gloom. There is reason in the appeal of the song so often heard when the nation was in the midst of an affliction much greater than that which it now endures. "Pack up your troubles in your old kit bag, and smile, smile smile." That is the spirit behind this "D. Pression" ceremony with its remote suggestion of the Boston Tea Party. If it does nothing more, it may be contribute to a cheerful frame of mind which inspires confidence that the happy days will soon be here again.

WORCESTER POST 12/21/31

WASHBURN'S WEEKLY

The Hon. Joseph Conry, traffic commissioner, has a devotion that is sublime, that is, in some directions. He is further, individualistic because he cannot only commend but also condemn. When he contemplates the mayor, the Hon. James M. Curley, he is an idolator and at times his idolatry is well placed. He now says that the mayor as Vice President would make an admirable presiding officer of the United States Senate. He would. For while the mayor would be somewhat out of place in a day nursery, his virility qualifies him for the conduct of a bear-garden. And the United States Senate is a bear-garden, not beer garden—Now a wide jump to the pulpit.

BROCKTON ENTERPRISE 12/21/31

And the Vote Seekers

Evidence accumulates that Mayor Curley will be in the primary race for governor; and those who feel sure that Governor Ely will not be in the race are increasingly insistent—still without any information to go on. On the Republican side, the Youngman claim on the nomination gains strength, and the valiant efforts in behalf of Frank G. Allen fail to produce much in the way of results so far. His friends still insist that he will oppose Youngman, but the former governor himself maintains a discreet silence. We run across a growing number of Republicans who have not been "Youngman men" who now say that he is the fair hope of the party and what's the use in thinking otherwise? It looks at the moment as though his candidacy were crystallizing fast. If the Allen movement is going to get anywhere it will have to pick up speed pretty soon.

Quincy Patriot-Ledger 12/21/31

MAYOR CURLEY WILL TALK AT DINNER OF TRUCKMEN TONIGHT

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston and Registrar of Motor Vehicles Morgan T. Ryan have accepted invitations to speak before the mass meeting and dinner of Massachusetts truckmen which is to be held this evening at the Boston Chamber of Commerce. Other speakers will be John R. Bingaman, president of a Pennsylvania association of truckmen, and W. W. McBride, general manager of the New York Truckers. In lighter vein, Bill Cunningham, sports writer, will deliver an address.

The meeting, which has been arranged by the Master Truckmen's Association, Inc., has been planned to bring together all trucking interests in the commonwealth and to discuss plans for improving their business conditions. The dinner will be served at 6:30 o'clock.

Manchester N.H. Union 12/22/31

Dairymen in Hillsborough To Stress Annual Legumes in Battle To Keep Heads Up

One Year Crops Offer Protein Feed at Smallest Out of Pocket Expense, They Agree at Nashua Session

NASHUA, Dec. 21.—Sixty dairymen from 11 towns in Hillsborough county, meeting at the Y. M. C. A. building in Nashua recently, voted unanimously in favor of an annual legume campaign as means of keeping down the expense for the dairy farmer during the next year.

The county agent, E. W. Pierce, explained that where one has stable dressing available, such crops as peas and oats, vetch and oats, soy beans and hungarian, and vetch and wheat, can be grown with very little if any commercial fertilizer.

Waugh Speaks.

George L. Waugh, extension dairyman, University of New Hampshire, said he thought the annual legume program offered the best means he knew of to keep down the out of pocket expense for dairymen during the coming year.

He said that to get the most feed value out of oats, they should be cut as they were coming into head. Mr. Waugh, who had just returned from a meeting in Boston regarding the milk market situation, discussed the matter at length with the dairymen present. It was Mr. Waugh's opinion that the distribution of milk seemed to be attracting capital and that distributing concerns seem anxious to expand their business. The chain store competition was also referred to.

An overhead marketing system, with the New England dairymen cooperating was the best solution of the present difficulties of the milk marketing, in Mr. Waugh's judgement. Mr. Waugh said that if the present prices for milk continue very long, the bankers and businessmen, especially in Vermont and Northern New Hampshire, will be forced to take an active part in helping to establish an adequate milk marketing system for New England.

May Bar Cream.

Mr. Waugh quoted Mayor Curley of Boston as stating at the Vermont conference that "it might be possible to exclude a shipment of western cream into the cities of southern New England and buy from sources within the New England states." One million dollars' worth of cream was shipped into New England in 1931, and if Mayor Curley's suggestion would be carried out, it would divert a large sum of money into pockets of New England dairymen.

Whatever marketing system is set up, Mr. Waugh says, farmers will probably not be able to establish a milk price as high as that which prevailed in 1929, and dairymen, to make money in the future, must more than ever pay attention to production per cow and the growing of legume crops on their farms to keep down the cost of purchased feed.

Burlington Free-Press 12/18/31

Agricultural Leaders In Boston Propose 7-Ct. Wholesale Milk Price

Also Agree to Putting Advanced Price in Effect Not Later Than Jan. 1 If Plan Is Practical

BOSTON, Dec. 16. (AP)—Agricultural leaders today adopted a proposal to advance the wholesale price of milk to seven cents on December 21, if practical, and not later than January 1.

The meeting called by State Commissioner of Agriculture A. W. Gilbert, was attended by more than 300 men and women, representing farmers and business interests.

Rehabilitation of the milk industry in Massachusetts and New England was discussed in detail and a program adopted that would tend to prevent a recurrence of the present situation, due to lowering of price levels.

The proposal to adopt a seven cent price level was made by Glenn Sevey, editor of the New England Homestead. A resolution also was adopted to have a committee meet with producers, distributors and the board of health to enlist their cooperation in maintaining the seven cent level.

Edward H. Jones, Vermont commissioner of agriculture, said the recent price drop had dealt a severe blow to New England producers. He said he believed the marketing system was a failure and thought price stabilization could be obtained only through a well conducted organization.

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston said the city, through the Board of Health, was seeking to protect the public from milk of unknown quality and source. He assured the conference of cooperation and said he would work with producers for a stabilization of price that would yield a fair return.

The present wholesale price of milk is five cents while the retail price is eight cents in chain stores and 10 cents a quart delivered at homes.

DORCHESTER NEWS 12/25/31

MAYOR CURLEY TO INAUGURATE CITY-WIDE ECONOMY PROGRAM

Plans To Save Nearly Half Million Dollars a Year By Taking Automobiles Away From Heads of Departments and Assistants

TO HAVE HIRE AND DRIVE SYSTEM

Chauffeurs To Be Assigned To Clerical Jobs In The Various Departments—All Free Telephones To Be Taken Out Also, Is Report

Beginning January 1 Mayor Curley will inaugurate a tremendous economy campaign throughout every city department in an ambitious effort to cut down expenses in every possible way. It is not expected that there will be any attempt to cut salaries and wages, at least for the present, but overhead expense will be curtailed wherever possible.

One of the most drastic changes that will be brought about by the economy program will be the abandonment of city-owned cars, operated by chauffeurs and used by heads of departments and their assistants, oftentimes with reckless regard for the taxpayers' money.

In the place of the city-owned automobiles which will be turned in for what they will bring the Mayor purposes to make arrangements with a hire-and-drive system, whereby cars always will be available upon short notice to the heads of departments and their assistants for strictly city business. Whenever needed a city official merely has to write a slip calling for a car, specifying where it is to go and the purpose of the trip. The only restriction will be that the car must be needed and needed for strictly city business.

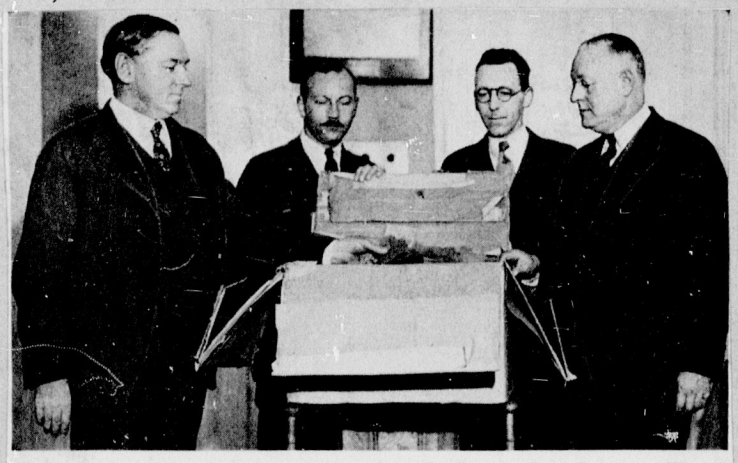
Officials will not be allowed to use the cars nights, except in case of emergency. It is said that many of the city-owned cars have been used nights by the officials for their own personal uses on trips to road-houses and night clubs, thereby piling up expense for the city.

By this expedient alone, including the assignment of chauffeurs to clerical jobs, thereby making it unnecessary to take on that many additional clerks, the Mayor expects to save the city something over $400,000 a year. Involved in the change will be close to 200 automobiles altogether. The saving on buying automobiles will be quite a sizable sum in itself.

One of the other plans the Mayor has of saving the taxpayers' money is the abandonment of the policy of the city's paying for telephones in the homes of various city officials. There are hundreds of these, including those of police officials, some of which are non-published numbers. As a token of his earnestness and impartiality the Mayor's own telephone will not be charged to the city. All officials who want telephones will have to pay for their own. For many years telephones have been paid for by the city as a matter of custom. This will save a large sum of money for the people.

In many other ways the Mayor intends to cut down expense without interfering with the efficiency of any of the departments.

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Mayor Curley (left) draws the first card in the Boston Coal Contest. Next in order: D.S.M. Barney, S.S.M. Gushee—Zone 4, Manager A. Simons

Boston Mayor Aids Coal Contest

WHY THE Honorable James M. Curley can always command from the electorate of his city, any public office within its power to bestow, is plainly indicated in this picture. He belongs to the common people and whether Democrats, Republicans, Hottentots or what not, their problems get first place in his heart regardless of the multitude of other problems which constantly crowd in upon him as mayor of one of America's greatest cities.

That is why Mayor Curley found time to be present to draw the first five tickets in the United Free Coal Contest inaugurated by Zone 4, Manager A. Simons. The Mayor is shown at the left with the first tickets drawn, in his left hand. Next to him in order are D.S.M. Barney, S.S.M. Frank Gushee of Boston Store 2782 and Zone Manager Simons.

The United Free Coal Contest started October 29 when our Greater Boston stores began giving out free coal contest cards. Five contest cards were drawn every four weeks, which entitled the winners to a ton of coal each at the expense of United Cigar Stores Company. The contest caught the favorable attention of the Boston public as a very worthy project and has since continued to receive it's emphatic support.

HERALD 12/16/30

COUNCIL BACKS RELIEF MEASURE

Members Contribute $120 And Pass Order Calling On Officials, Employes

CHALLENGE MAYOR'S OPPOSITION TO FUND

The city council started an unemployment relief fund, yesterday, with a contribution of $120 and sent to Mayor Curley an order, which he recently vetoed, calling on all city officials and employes to contribute voluntarily, for the next three months, 1 per cent. of their monthly compensation.

The order specified that the fund should be administered by the mayor's emergency committee on unemployment relief with the advice and assistance of the overseers of the public welfare.

ORDER REVISED

Councilman Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., revamped the order of Councilman Clement A. Norton, which drew the mayor's disapproval, two weeks ago, by adding city officials to the list of municipal workers, called on to donate a percentage of their salaries.

Wilson and Norton, as well as Councilman Dowd of Roxbury, expressed disagreement with the views of the mayor, that there is no necessity for an unemployment relief fund, and Dowd was sharply critical of the decision of the overseers of the public welfare which limits to $12 weekly, the aid extended to a family of parents and four children. He charged that the budget of the Boston department is far below that of the state department and of private welfare organizations and that there is real need of an agency which will add to the amount of relief granted by the municipal department.

Dowd added that he was gratified that two-thirds of the unemployment relief orders which the council has sent to the mayor and which he vetoed are now in operation.

The council figured that 1 per cent. of the monthly salary of its membership is $1.67, but in order to set a good example the members decided to triple the assessment.

CONFERENCE URGED

Councilman Wilson also sponsored an order asking the mayor to call a conference of the overseers of public welfare and department heads, employing labor, to ascertain if arrangements cannot be made, through the public welfare department, to provide work for the heads of families who are now carried on the rolls of that department. He expressed the opinion that some form of public work can be arranged for which these men can do and for which they will be paid through the welfare department.

An order for an appropriation of $100,000 for a football stadium at World War Memorial park, East Boston, was presented by Councilman Donovan.

Mayor Curley was called on in an order offered by Councilman Dowd to stop the employment of an alien firm as well as alien labor at the City Hospital and the East Boston courthouse. He charged that a sub-contract for installing marble work is held by an alien concern which does not employ citizen labor.

A resolution supporting legislation authorizing the city to pay $5000 to the parents of Dorothea Carson, Roxbury schoolgirl, who is alleged to have died as a result of injuries received in the Aaron Davis school, was adopted.

NEW ZOO BUILDINGS

From the income of the Parkman fund, $68,720 was appropriated for the construction of new buildings at Franklin park to house the monkeys and the antelopes. Park Commissioner Long said that there is no winter house for the antelopes and that the animal range at the zoo looks like a "bankrupt circus."

An appropriation of $125,000 was favored for the construction of a locker building, laundry and women's bath house at North End Park to replace a structure condemned by the building department as unsafe.

Councilmen Englert, Murray, Cox and Norton joined in support of a demand for the retention of the escalator at the Forest Hills terminal which the Elevated wishes to abandon. The argument was stressed that a new escalator is necessary. Murray said that persons ought not to be compelled to climb 50 steps.

AMERICAN 12/16/30

$200,000 FOR SCHOOL JOBS

Mayor Curley today moved to provide work for scores of unemployed Boston plumbers, painters, plasterers and iron workers in the schools of the city during the Christmas vacation period.

In a communication to Louis K. Rourke of the department of school buildings, the mayor suggested that $200,000, unexpended balance in the budget of that department, be spent during the vacation for installation of modern plumbing, placing fire escapes, and painting and plastering work in the schools.

"The expenditure of $200,000 during the Christmas season would be a boon to the unemployed," the mayor wrote.

GLOBE 12/16/30

TRANSIT COUNCIL IN FIRST SESSION

Mayors and Selectmen Discuss Transportation

Statements of Mayor Edward L. Larkin of Medford and Mayor John J. Whelan of Chelsea regarding street car service and Elevated improvements in their respective cities; the explanation of two rapid transit routes, and unanimous sentiment against construction of further elevated structures featured the first meeting of the Metropolitan Transit Council in the Moyr's office, City Hall, today.

At the executive session, as members of the council, were Mayors of cities and Selectmen of towns served by the Elevated. Mayor Curley, chairman of the council, presided, and Mayor Larkin was secretary.

Gen Edward L. Logan, chairman of the Metropolitan Transit District trustees, presented the recommendations of the trustees, which in turn were explained by Col Thomas F. Sullivan of the Boston Transit Commission.

The trustees suggested two rapid transit routes, with an estimated cost of $40,400,000, for which the annual rental to the Boston Elevated would be $1,800,000. Against that rental charge it was estimated that the new routes would result in an annual operating saving of $873,000.

Route 1, as discussed, would begin at or near the junction of South Huntington and Huntington avs, following the general line to Stuart st, Columbus av, under Boston Common, to a new station near Park st, to connect with the East Boston Tunnel. This route also provides for a terminal at Day sq and provision for a future connection with the Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad. The estimated cost of this route is set at $23,400,000.

The second route, beginning in the Brighton Section of the city, west of Harvard av, would follow the general line of Commonwealth av, and entrnace to the Boylston-st Subway to the North Station to Lechmere, Davis sq and possible terminals at North Cambridge and Arlington. The cost of this route is estimated at $17,000,000.

CHELSEA RECORD 12/15/31

Aid For Cities and Towns

The need of legislative action to supplement the tax resources of communities now burdened with a heavy unemployment problem is to be presented at the incoming session by the mayor's committee.

Mayors Curley of Boston, Casassa of Revere, Bates of Salem and Ashley of New Bedford have suggested several means of relief. Mayor Casassa favors the right of cities to borrow from the state in anticipation of taxes at a low rate of interest. Mayor Curley would let cities and towns have a greater proportion of the income from gas taxes.

It is most evident in every direction that the cities and towns will be overwhelmed with unemployment demands if the depression continues another year without some form of relief.

But if the cities are to be permitted to borrow from the commonwealth, how long will the credit of the commonwealth stand the strain?

N. B. STANDARD 12/15/31

CURLEY HAS FAITH IN FEDER[illegible]EAD

BOSTON, Dec 15 (AP)—[illegible]yor James M. Curley of Boston, [illegible]menting on the closing of the Federal National Bank of Boston, today said:

The City of Boston has $16,000,000 in various banks in Boston and the allotment to the Federal National Bank was in conformity with what the law allowed to be placed in the bank. We had every reason to believe that it was solvent—in fact, the same reason state officials did, and the state had an amount in the bank nearly as large.

"Mr. Mulloney, the president of the Federal, is regarded as an exceptionally capable banking man and there is some encouragement in his statement that if given time the bank will be able to pay 100 cents on the dollar."

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 12/17/31

WHOLESALE MILK PRICE TO GO UP

Agriculturists Vote in Boston to Put Two-Cent Increase in Effect by Dec. 21.

BOSTON, Dec. 16 (AP).—Agricultural leaders today adopted a proposal to advance the wholesale price of milk to seven cents on Dec. 21, if practical, and not later than Jan. 1.

The meeting called by State Commissioner of Agriculture A. W. Gilbert, was attended by more than 300 men and women, representing farmers and business interests.

Rehabilitation of the milk industry in Massachusetts and New England was discussed in detail and a program adopted that would tend to prevent a recurrence of the present situation, due to lowering of price levels.

The proposal to adopt a seven-cent price level was made by Glenn Sevey, editor of the New England homestead. A resolution also was adopted to have a committee meet with producers, distributors and the Board of Health to enlist their cooperation in maintaining the seven-cent level.

Edward H. Jones, Vermont commissioner of agriculture, said the recent price drop had dealt a severe blow to New England producers. He said he believed the marketing system was a failure and thought price stabilization could be obtained only through a well conducted organization.

Mayor Curley of Boston said the city, through the Board of Health, was seeking to protect the public from milk of unknown quality and source. He assumed the conference of Co-operation and said he would work with producers for a stabilization of price that yield a fair return.

The present wholesale price of milk is five cents while the retail price is eight cents in chain stores and 10 cents a quart delivered at homes.

LOWELL COURIER CITIZEN SALEM NEWS 12/15/31

Curley Declares Realty Exchange Members Gougers 12/16/31

Boston, Dec. 15—Mayor Curley last night demanded that the Boston Real Estate Exchange rid its membership of real estate experts whom he accused of gouging the city of huge sums in payment for properties taken for public improvements.

In a bristling retort to recent critical statements of his attitude on municipal financial problems, the mayor attacked the exchange for the adoption of a program which he said was fraught with danger to the financial structure of the city, assailed real estate experts by citing specific examples of alleged deliberate overvaluation of property exceeding by at least 100 per cent. the taxable valuation, and advised the exchange to take this action:

"Clean house, be honest, with the people of Boston, refrain from indulging in subterfuge and think a little bit of the welfare of the people of the city, rather than the welfare of its individual members."

The mayor blamed real estate experts for the heavy verdicts that have been rendered against the city and accused them of adhering to a practice which imposes an extremely low valuation on property in controversies about tax assessments and an unwarrantedly high value on the same properties when they are taken by the city for public improvements.

Mayor Curley, of Boston, is being talked of in the gossip of political circles as a probable officer of the cabinet of Mr. Roosevelt, who is expected to be the next president of the United States—except by the realistic ones who know that this is a Republican country and that American women voters are still as devoted to President Hoover as the he-man 11-o'clockers of the fourth estate at Washington, D. C., are not. The Massachusets nomination of Mr. Curley to a portfolio, possibly that of the State department, has interesting possibilities, and no practical probabilities.

SALEM NEWS 12/15/31

BOSTON FIN. COM. SAYS FAVORITISM COSTS THOUSANDS

Sweeping Indictment of the Municipal Supply Dept Mayor Curley Simultaneously Makes Suggestions

Boston, Dec. 15—The finance commission yesterday made public a sweeping indictment of the municipal supply department charging avoidable annual waste, because of incompetency and favoritism, of hundreds of thousands of dollars in aggregate purchases of $5,000,000.

Mayor Curley simultaneously announced the immediate establishment of a municipal laboratory, the increasing of the personnel of the supply department, and the adoption, without reservation, of eight specific recommendations of the commission calculated to result in drastic changes in the purchasing system.

Specifically the commission charged the squandering of $125,000 annually in purchases of meats involving $500,000 for the City hospital and other institutions; $25,000 in purchases of fruits and vegetables amounting to $140,000; an indeterminate sum in the buying of automobiles and tires; the acceptance of a quality of gasoline far inferior to the stipulated standard, and gross inefficiency in buying reflected by purchase in small lots instead of in quantities sufficient to meet annual needs of departments.

To correct evils discovered by commission investigators, who found that prices paid by the city for supplies at the City hospital were far in excess of prices paid for goods of equal or better quality purchased by the Massachusetts General hospital, and that in other purchases, prices were from

10 to 100 Per Cent Above

what should have been paid, these recommendations were presented to Mayor Curley:

An annual program of purchases for a full year based on intelligent study of actual needs.

Uniform buying for all departments.

Grouping of orders to permit the making of long term contracts.

Open competition between reliable merchants and the elimination of middlemen.

Analysis of prices to assure knowledge of existing market levels.

Issuance of orders in detail to allow proper inspection.

Provision of rconstant inspections.

Payment of bills based upon reports of inspections.

In connection with the investigation the commission reported that no justification was found for the recognition accorded the Mohawk Packing company which furnished meats to the City hospital to the amount of $350,000 a year. This concern, the commission reported, transmitted city orders to packing houses for delivery and assurance has been given by the wholesale dealers of their willingness to sell the city at prices approximately those charged to the Mohawk concern.

The system of purchasing automobiles and tires, and the failure of the supply department to receive proper "turn in value" for pleasure cars and trucks was sharply assailed by the commission, which revealed that reputable tire dealers have offered to sell to the city at 27½ per cent. below the list prices in comparison with payments which have been made by the supply department at either the full list price or 10 per cent. in excess.

In criticising the automobile situ- commission strongly urged a cessation of the practice of buying cars at $2000 and $300 for department heads and other officials and urged on the mayor the establishment of a municipal taxicab system which will require a few cars that will be at the disposal of officials engaged in legitimate city business.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/15/31

SENATOR MOSES TERMED ABLEST MAN IN SENATE

Mrs. Dwight Declares, in Talk to Business Women, That Granfield "Plays with Republicans."

Current events of the last few weeks were reviewed by Mrs. William G. Dwight, editor of the Holyoke Transcript, before a gathering of the Business and Professional Women's unit of the Springfield District Women's Republican Club in Hotel Worthy last night.

Commenting upon the new Congress, Mrs. Dwight called Senator Moses the ablest man in the Senate. Congressman William J. Granfield, she said, "plays beautifully with the Republicans." She averred that he has been most diligent in looking after the interests of New England and that he and Congressman Allen T. Treadway of Stockbridge have stood shoulder to shoulder in working for the benefit of this section.

Newton D. Baker, former Secretary of War, was referred to by Mrs. Dwight as the highest type of American and she mentioned talk of a ticket with Baker for the Democratic nomination for President and Gov. Joseph B. Ely of this State for the vice-presidential nomination. There is no question, she said, but that President Hoover again will be in the race for the Republican nomination.

President Hoover's recent message to Congress was described by Mrs. Dwight as the ablest presentation of the state of the Nation she ever has heard. Hoover has presented to the Nation a great nonpartizan program in a great manner, she averred.

The President is going to have an unpleasant time being attacked during the coming campaign because of present economic conditions, she noted, adding, however, that the multitude does not recognize the failure of a system rather than the failure of a man.

Mrs. Dwight offered the opinion that the Republican party ultimately will be wet and the Democratic party dry or straddling.

The recent conferences of wet Governors with Alfred E. Smith at the same time Gov. Franklin Roosevelt of New York was conferring with the Governor of Kansas was mentioned by Mrs. Dwight, who said that whereas Roosevelt a few weeks ago had been almost unbeatable he now appears to have a doubtful chance of obtaining the Democratic nomination for President.

The greater part that the racial groups are playing in politics was dwelled upon by her. She said that Mayor-elect Anthony J. Stonina of Chicopee received nation-wide publicity upon gaining office.

Senator Simeon D. Fess, chairman of the Republican National Committee, does not want to continue in that office, Mrs. Dwight averred, but no one else wants it either. She said Senator Fess has all he can do to take care of his senatorship.

The schism in Massachusetts between Gov. Ely and Mayor James M. Curley of Boston in their attempts to lead the Democratic party of the State was touched upon by Mrs. Dwight.

Referring to the unemployment problem, Mrs. Dwight said there has been great insistence on the part of the people that there shall be no change in the social system. The rank and file of citizens are coming forward, she said, to see that no one goes hungry or shelterless.

Mrs. Stella M. Neddo presided at the meeting which followed a cafeteria supper in Hotel Worthy. The session was opened by the singing of

BEVERLY TIMES 12/15/31

Mayor Curley Plans Change in Orders

Mayor Curley of Boston today promised immediate adoption of the eight reservations made by the Finance Commission in its report on the municipal supply department in which an annual waste of thousands of dollars through incompetence and favoritism was charged.

The mayor pointed out that the commission's recommendations were constructive in character and would become effective without delay. He stated further that a municipal testing laboratory and additional clerical help would be provided in the supply department.

Many of the commission recommendations have already become effective and the others will immediately be put into operation. This is possible because of the new policy introduced by Finance Chairman Frank Goodwin to withhold the commission reports from publication until the city either adopted or refused recommendations.

Although the present report was not turned over to Mayor Curley until Nov. 7, commission investigators have been recommending improvements since the start of their probe several months ago. Some of these recommendations are already in effect.

THE WATERBURY RECORD 12/16/31

Looking To Mayor Curley

There is a feeling in this state, among those who are persuing the most honorable occupation one knows anything about, farming, that Honorable James M. Curley, Mayor of the city of Boston, is the man of the hour, the one man to look to at this particular time to restore milk prices to a point where the farmers throughout the New England States, especially in Vermont, will receive a living wage for their labor. In Mayor Curley's recent address before the Massachusetts State Grange, he said things, and if such utterances had been given before the drop in prices of milk, the lowering of the price of milk would not have occurred. We are positive on this point, it is so viewed by the producers of milk throughout the New England States, that Mayor Curley has called the bluff of the big wholesale milk distributing plants. He told them, publicly, that they cannot break the market, keep prices down, by bootlegging milk and cream into the city of which he is the Chief Executive officer. He will not permit milk or cream, especially milk, to be distributed in Boston unless it passes the City of Boston health standard, which means that it must be produced in the New England States area, an area kept up to standard by the City of Boston health department, of which, by virtue of his office, Mayor Curley is Chairman ex-officio. Mayor Curley alone has the power, and we truly believe the determination, the punch, to restore to the farmers of the New England States a legitimate milk and cream price, sufficient to guarantee a living wage to producers of milk, cream and dairy products.

We believe, knowing Mayor Curley as we do, that the farmers of the New England States have, in the Mayor of the City of Boston, a champion who can right matters, straignten out the most complex business problem which has ever confronted the farming industry of the New England States.

Surely if Mayor Curley sticks, stands pat, to his masterly and timely address before the annual meeting of the Massachusetts State Grange, he will, he will cause to be brought about a complete new set up, different schedule of milk and cream prices; there will be no maybe about it either. Mayor Curley is not a dilly-dallying official; he acts, acts promptly and with despatch. We are told by those who know, who have been sitting in with the Boston Mayor during the past twenty-four hours, that he has plans pretty well formulated, worked out the formula himself, regardless of what wholesale distributors have told him, and regardless of what this and that farm organization (of which there are altogether too many) have said. In other words Mayor Curley has "taken the bull by the horns" and within a few hours, possibly before this issue of the Record reaches our readers, a statement will be issued by His Honor the Mayor, which will bring delight to the farmers of Vermont and New England. The document will be so kind and cordial that consumers will see instinctively the justice of Mayor Curley's finding.

The drop in price of milk not only affects the farmers, but all forms of business. The farming industry is the backbone of the State of Vermont and if this stay of all stays is in any way crippled or impaired the whole structure crumbles, serious trouble is caused. When the principal farm product is selling at starvation prices, the like of what milk is selling for today, a calamity exists.

The powers of the milk business, the wholesale and retail distributors, should know, do know, that milk from an area tested section cannot be produced, especially in winter time, for five cents, less delivery charges, less shrinkage, less surplus account, less dues to the N. E. M. P. A., etc. It is an absolute impossibility.

In years past some extra good work has been done by farm organizations in maintaining prices; credit for this work should go where credit is due. We sincerely believe that the N. E. M. P. A. has had much to do in keeping prices regular, right. But in these times many an organized effort has gone the limit, simply exhausted all plans. We are not absolutely certain as to whether or not methods used, collection of dues, in keeping a farm organization alive, is quite correct. This being dependent on the big powerful milk distributors, in the collection of dues, is playing into the other fellow's hand. It has been hinted that if at any time these organizations, milk distributors, said "No" to collecting dues, trouble would occur, trouble which would be embarrassing, to say the least. In other words, as we see it, the milk powers, the big distributors, have a forceful contact with certain organizations, and if they say, which they did, that milk must go to five cents, to five cents it goes.

Governor Wilson, quick as a flash, after learning of Mayor Curley's all important address before the Massachusetts Grange wired His Honor the Mayor of Boston, complimenting him on his timely interest in the dairy situation of the New England States, and in particular as it affects Vermont. Governor Wilson is in close touch with Mayor Curley, working with him to help solve the milk situation, restore prices to a live and let live basis.

Mayor Curley of Boston, has the opportunity, he will improve the chance, to make his name a household word in every farm home throughout the New England States, a privilege which rarely comes to any man. Best of all Mayor Curley is the type of man who likes to do big things, tackle the seemingly impossible, go through with it, and win. We have faith that Mayor Curley will pull this perplexing milk situation out of the mire, put it on a substantial financial footing, solve it in such a manner that the farmers throughout the New England States will be given honest compensation for their hard work.

MARLBORO ENTERPRISE 12/19/31

Attends Conference of Milk Producers

Marlboro—George A. Sampson of the Twin Brook farm, East Main street, attended the conference held yesterday at Hotel Statler, Boston in the interest of New England milk dealers and producers. An informal resolution was adopted seeking to return to the 7 cents a quart rate formerly charged dealers.

Dr. Arthur W. Gilbert, commissioner of agriculture in Massachusetts presided and several hundred farmers lawyers, business men and state officials were in attendance. Statements were made that the dairy industry in New England is threatened with collapse because dealers are paying but 5 cents a quart for milk.

Proposed by Glenn C. Sevey, editor of the New England Homestead, the resolution advocated in addition that a committee of five be named to enlist the co-operation of boards of health and other officials in maintaining the price, and that the Governors of the New England states, except Connecticut, name a milk board or dairy tribunal to straghten out entanglements and promote harmony in the dairy industry.

To Support Farmers

Among the prominent persons who spoke at the meeting were Mayor Curley, who renewed his pledge of support to the farmers; Gov. Stanley C. Wilson of Vermont; Edward H. Jones, commissioner of agrculture in Vermont; Charles F. Adams, treasurer of the First National Stores, and Dr. Gilbert. Messages were read from Gov. Ely and from John W. Haigis of Greenfield, former state treasurer.

Mayor Curley, who was applauded heartily on entering the hall and at the conclusion of his speech said, "The city of Boston stands ready to take action necessary to keep uninspected and unknown milk out of Boston. It can be done in every city in New England.

"Since the present price received by producers is far below the cost of production, the foundation for a future milk shortage is laid. Then we may pay not six cents, but possibly 26 cents a quart.

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QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 12/19/31

The Right Loyalty

Mayor Curley, coming back to Boston after a brief sojourn in Washington during the opening of Congress, makes a comment on President Hoover and the conditions surrounding him that should command attention everywhere. Coming as it does from a partisan Democrat its tribute to a Republican president is out of the ordinary. Mayor Curley said:

> "No one can remain in Washington for an entire day and establish real contacts without arriving at the conclusion that the task essayed by President Hoover, who so far as I am able to observe is being required to work out the solution single-handed, resembles in many respects the situation met and overcome by Washington and by Lincoln. . . . That the nation should stand solidly behind the President, with the storm in the offing, to assist him in the development of even a more audacious program of construction, is my firm conviction."

The Boston mayor is too good a politician not to realize the effect of his words. But not even that effect could go far unless the words themselves meant something more than politics. They sum up very truly the situation of the president of this great country faced by present difficulties, and popular doubts, fears, and misprisions. The Boston mayor in such an utterance drops his partisanship and is simply the mayor of a great city, showing due loyalty to the president of the great country of which that city is a part. If there were more of this sort of loyalty, more of this patriotism, getting popular expression just now the task of the nation's head would not be so difficult. And perhaps the nation's depression would show less of gloom.

FRAMINGHAM NEWS 12/19/31

Curley and Ryan to Address Truckmen

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston and Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Morgan T. Morgan have accepted invitations to speak before the mass meeting and dinner of Massachusetts truckmen next Monday evening at the Boston Chamber of Commerce.

The meeting, arranged by the Master Truckmen's Association, Inc., has been planned to bring together all trucking interests in the Commonwealth and to discuss plans for improving their business conditions. The dinner will be served at 6.30.

LOWELL COURIER-CITIZEN 12/19/31

Mayor Curley "moves to recapture port prestige," by spending eight or ten millions along Atlantic avenue. The spending will be easy, of course, if the money can be found, but to admit that is not to concede that the prospects are necessarily brilliant for the port of Boston, or even certain to become so when business revives. In a world that is steadily going protectionist Boston is peculiarly hampered by being stuck off in the northeast corner of the nation. Better port facilities will not, one judges, greatly alter the circumstance that Canadian and British tariffs seemingly must decrease New England's trade with Liverpool and Yarmouth. If it is thought that at least coastwise commerce would be promoted by wisely planned reconstruction of the water front, consider the increasing haulage of freights and passengers by the automotives. Many, perhaps most, of the New England manufacturers who used to send their goods out by water to New York now ship by truck. Many people who always went to New York by boat now travel by bus. If Mayor Curley and his experts count on larger incoming shipments of coal from Virginia points let them first make allowance for the new hydroelectric plants of northern New England—for 15 Mile Falls and the barrage just completed on the Pemigewassett below Plymouth. While it is not certain that this type of power production must in the future beat out the tide-water plants using coal and mercury vapor, still hydro production is here, and it works unceasingly against the super-active port of Boston which the imaginative Mayor Curley has invisaged. Other adverse factors might be stated by any ordinarily well informed person as a reason why the governor and the legislature would do well to go cautiously in considering any proposal to spend millions upon a port which may not be susceptible of any great acceleration of business.

HOLYOKE TRANSCRIPT 12/19/31

BOSTON TO RAISE $3,000,000 FOR RELIEF

BOSTON, Dec. 17—Boston will attempt to raise a $3,000,000 unemployment relief fund through public subscription.

Mayor James M. Curley announced tentative plans for the campaign yesterday, bringing out that success of the drive would relieve taxpayers of providing an equal amount for distribution by the public welfare department.

A total of $39,450 already has been donated to the relief fund.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 12/17/31

Statewide Move Made to Raise Milk Prices, Prevent Dairy Collapse

Farmers, Lawyers, Businessmen and State Officials Adopt Resolution Calling for Return to Seven-Cent Level; One Speaker Alleges Lack of Proper Inspection in Springfield.

Special to The Springfield Union.

BOSTON, Dec. 16—Following statements that the dairy industry in New England is threatened with collapse because dealers are paying but five cents a quart for milk, several hundred farmers, lawyers, businessmen and state officials today adopted without a dissenting vote an informal resolution seeking return to the seven-cent price, at a meeting held in Hotel Statler, under the leadership of Dr. Arthur W. Gilbert, commissioner of agriculture in Massachusetts.

Proposed by Glenn C. Sevey, editor of the New England Homestead, the resolution advocated in addition that a committee of five be named to enlist the cooperation of boards of health and other officials in maintaining the price, and that the Governors of New England States, except Connecticut, name a milk board or dairy tribunal to straighten out entanglements and promote harmony in the dairy industry.

Curley Pledges Aid.

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Gov. Wilson spoke strongly for a central marketing agency for New England farmers and he was supported by Commissioner Jones. Dr. Gilbert advocated the curtailment of large shipments of western cream, by legislation if necessary, and urged the milk producers to work out a plan for stabilizing the price of their product delivered in city markets. "It is my belief," he said, "that the public is willing to pay a price based on fair play."

Ely's Statement.

Gov. Ely's statement said, in part:

"The income of many thousands of our farmers has suffered through improper distribution of costs. This is not only disastrous to them, but to our general welfare. Please express my profound interest and deep concern. I shall be pleased to do anything within my power to readjust this matter."

Edward Shattuck, Boston business man who resides at Andover, spoke of the lack of business ability displayed by the average farmer and remarked, "The dairy industry can never be successful until led by the country's biggest men." He advocated that the farmers call on big business men and bankers for assistance.

Obviously indignant because of Mr. Shattuck's remarks, A. L. Whittemore, an Ashland dairyman, leaped to his feet and shouted, "I term that a slander on the farmers. We haven't got the 'gift of gab,' we can't pull political wires, but out of our ranks we can get men capable of putting this industry out. We should do the jobs ourselves."

He was applauded enthusiastically.

Big Dealers Blamed.

Edward Graves of Conway, also a dairyman, attributed the present low price to the activities of certain large milk dealers. "We'll show them," he said, "whether they can run our business or whether we are going to run our own."

James F. Goggin, dairyman from Fall River, predicted that the present low price will have far-reaching evil effects if not changed as soon as possible. "We're in the water," he said, "and if this continues there will be a great shortage of milk. Remember that it takes three years to raise a cow and that one extreme always follows another."

Jeremiah Driscoll, Boston lawyer, said that Boston is the only Massachusetts city which gives the farmer protection. "Cambridge, Worcester, Springfield and other cities," he said, "make no attempt to inspect. Anything that looks like milk can be sold in any city but Boston."

He said that the hands of health officials "are tied" and that the present low price was forced on the producers, since the general public had found no fault with the price of milk even when it was as high as 12 cents.

"The farmers must control the product," he concluded. "If you look to the large dealers for a solution you are in a fool's paradise."

The message from former-State Treasurer Haigis asked that Dr. Gilbert appoint a committee of five who might suggest to Gov. Ely the necessity of meeting the problem of milk legislation in his coming message to the Legislature.

Sevey's Statement.

Mr. Sevey advanced the following arguments in which he outlined possible ways of remedying the present milk situation:

"The vibrant question that concerns us all is the way out of this morass in which producers, distributors, business and the public in general are floundering. Subject to a better solution that may come before this session I offer three recommendations and at the proper time will offer, if desired, resolutions to focus action. The suggestions are:

"1. Restore the price to seven cents a quart where it was Nov. 30. Briefly let us glance at the justness of this to all who are concerned. Little argument is necessary to indicate that this is a minimum figure at which the producer can pay his bills and maintain the industry. Data recetnly released by the Massachusetts State College gives exhaustive figures showing that it costs dairymen 6.17 cents to produce a quart of milk. Added to that are transportation charges and losses through surplus, these under the most conservative estimate, giving another one and one-half cents a quart or a total of 7.67 cents a quart f. o. b. market. In the judgment of many it is more rather than less, so you see in advancing to seven cents farmers would still be below what prudent business men consider safe.

"As regards consumers it is significant that they did not seek a lowering of the seven cent level, in fact, the public right now appears incensed that dairymen may be thrown into bankruptcy under present prices. Consumers recognize that farmers took their reduction months ago in line with depression when they reduced prices from nine cents to seven cents. Consumers also are fearful of a later day of reckoning if local supplies are killed off and dependence placed in far distant sources. It is more than probable that the general public would acclaim a seven cent level.

"As to distributors, their welfare cannot possibly lie in holding prices so low that their farmers are forced into bankruptcy. At the important meeting in the State House Nov. 30, which included representation from large and small dealers, there was only one large distributor who spoke in favor of reducing the seven cent price. Smaller dealers pleaded to maintain the price and the sizable chain store trade did not urge reduction. This indicates that even there was strong sentiment for seven cents. In view of the chaos now in both the city and the country at present prices the whole distributing system should welcome an opportunity to get back toward living levels for the industry.

"Price recessions never remove competition. It did not last spring when price dropped from nine cents to six cents, nor has it in present reduction from seven cents to five cents. In truth, give distributors their milk outright and there still would be competition for efficiency of service to consumers. The strong resolutions adopted late last week by the Boston and Suburban Milk Dealers Association clearly indicate their readiness to help in a forward movement. Hence we have producers, distributors, consumers anxious for better prices for the welfare of all concerned. The way to resume is to resume instead of talking about it. The Roosevelt doctrine of action first and arguments afterward did get results.

"It is true that experience has taught us the complexities in competitive group sales by farmers and the attending embarrassment to different dealers who should own their milk at essentially the same price. In addition is the problem of resale both retail and wholesale. This question leads to the second recommendation, viz: Flavor competition with cooperation.

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"2. Support the recent seven-cent price by understanding cooperation among farmers, distributors, the public and our boards of health. Competition may be the life of trade but cooperation is humanity's highway to progress. Civilization has advanced to a point where interdependence replaces independence. Each of the hundreds of our different industries finds it has a relation to the others and they to it. Too, each industry within itself finds its interlocking divisions more closely united than ever before. I would like to enlarge upon this truth but trust you see how it applies to the dairy industry, both as it affects other industries and the different divisions of the dairy industry itself.

"Right now, New England farmers are more ready to cooperate with each other and with other branches of the industry than formerly. Note the almost unanimous vote in 128 Vermont milk shipping communities for the New England Dairies, Inc., which pledges businesslike cooperation of cooperatives. The balance of New England favored the plan months ago. This reinforced by the constructive effort of distributors and boards of heath can protect our New England milk shed on a seven-cent level. To encourage and expedite this cooperation on the part of all concerned for the common weal, the chairman of this meeting could name a committee which he should head to immediately confer with the different New England agencies involved, with the aim of uniting their support in a common causes.

"With a seven-cent price restored and backed up by real cooperation there still remains one more step to make the plan reasonably fool-proof. Honest differences in opinion are likely to arise, otherwise we wouldn't have horse races and stock exchanges. To meet this natural development I suggest for your consideration recommendation 3, provide milk board or dairy tribunal.

"3. Establish a milk board or dairy tribunal to hear evidence, check complaints and adjudicate issues in behalf of the industry and its relations to the public at large. Obviously, the members would be high type individuals who are well known for their ability, vision and fairness. Personally, I am not so particular about the modus operandi of securing such a board or tribunal. A somewhat round about method which might appeal to some would be for this meeting to ask the different agencies concerned such as producers, distributors, perhaps the New England Council for consumers, to name a member for each interest. A much shorter and more satisfactory route may be suggested. The important thing is to have an able board or tribunal in which we have confidence and to which we can turn in an emergency to unscramble any entanglements and help keep us all in harmonious action.

"In this triple approach to a rehabilitation of a $100,000,000 industry, I fail to see anything unfair or illogical. It is a businesslike recognition of the needs, the obstacles and a way to surmount them. This assembly of representative leaders in business finance, agriculture, city distribution and public officials can and should give some constructive plan tremendous impetus. Farmers are not alone in having their backs to the wall. Let us fail not, in justice to them as well as ourselves, to make this session more than just another meeting."

LEOMINSTER ENTERPRISE 12/18/31

MILK WAR CAUSE OF UNEASINESS

Farmers Disturbed As to Outcome of Present Strife.

Leominster, Sterling, Lancaster, and Princeton farmers are among the uneasiest men in those places as the result of the milk war that has forced milk down to the low prices now existing. Local milk dealers are interested and want to see the price go up but the worry is not theirs as much as with the producer. However, there is another phase of the situation and that is the business men are beginning and have felt it, and financial institutions are taking a hand in the war in the interests of peace. The ones who are benefiting are the customers who now can afford to have the coffee reducer better than before and it lightens their burdens.

The business men or merchants realize that where the farmer is "flush" with money, he spends more; the bankers know that when the farmer is over burdened, he cannot pay on his mortgaged property. For that reason they are working to establish peace and working with agricultural and dairy interests to bring about a stabilization of the price of the lacteal fluid. There were meetings yesterday, the Worcester County Dairymen's association in Worcester, and an agricultural meeting in Boston and local dairymen are anxiously awaiting to see what the results will be. Leominster men this morning said they believed the worst was over and that the price would go up again, either next week or Jan. 1, at least two cents a quart.

The bottom dropped out of the milk business Dec. 8, when the price fell off three cents a quart, with the wholesale going down to 5 cents per quart to the farmer, and the retailer selling for 10 cents per quart to the consumer and 9 and even 8 cents when bought in large quantities. The farmer also had to stand the cost of freight, or hauling to market, so that his actual net price was 4½ cents per quart. For 10 days now it has been a losing proposition for the man with the cattle on his hands and a fierce struggle has been going on to rehabilitate the business, with financial men, city and state officials taking a hand in it. Local milk producers blame monopolists with waging war on the smaller fellow and also to the fact that the people are not or were not using as much milk as in the summer so that the supply is too big for the demand. The only good that the drop has done, they say, is that it has increased the demand as many families who were buying only a pint of milk a day, now are using a quart or a quart every other day.

For a long time a fight has been waged to get all Massachusetts cattle tuberculin tested, and the demand for milk from accredited herds has been such and laws enacted so the farmer has had to have his cattle tuberculin tested, as the necessary percentage last year, in this section, signed to have this district an accredited cattle district. Another hardship was placed on the producer. Many cattle and farms are mortgaged and, with the milk so low, the farmer cannot "get out from under." Leominster is not as bad as some localities, for mortgaged cattle and farms as some other communities. One of the largest cattle owners and milk producers said last night that more than 50 per cent of the producers do not own their cattle. The price of grain has started to go up and with the baby food so low, the producers are almost frantic. The farmer who is retailing his milk is the lucky one right now as he does not have to stand the middle man's profit. The milk dealer, while he has had to drop the price, is not "hit" as is the man who has the cows, as he pays a corresponding low price, to enable him to meet the prevailing market price.

The result of the meeting at Boston yesterday was that the agricultural leaders of New England agreed to advance the wholesale price to seven cents a quart either next week or the first of January. The whole situation was gone over in detail and it was agreed that the drop of Dec. 8 had worked a big hardship on the producers and dealt them a severe blow from which it will take them some time to recover.

Mayor James M. Curley, of Boston, attended the meeting and spoke to the agriculturalists, and said that the city, through the board of health was seeking to curtail the shipment of milk into the state, and was working to protect the health of people by stopping the shipment or sale of milk from unknown sources and quality. Indications were also apparent that the city of Worcester officials and those of other large centers of the state would take a like course to stop outside shipments and prevent the sale of milk that is not inspected before being put on the market.

CHELSEA RECORD 12/18/31

That Mayor Curley's latest project calls for the expenditure of only $10,000,000.

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That the mayor is either becoming modest in his demands or the funds are running low.

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SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN

STATE STARTS ITS AUDIT OF ALL RECORDS IN CLOSED BANKS

Affairs of Institutions Now in Hands of the Federal Comptroller

Boston, Dec. 16 — Affairs of the closed Federal National bank of Boston, its five branches in the city and three affiliated banks in Lynn, Gloucester and Lowell, were placed today in the hands of Herbert Pearson, representative of federal controller of the currency.

At the same time, five trust companies located in Cambridge, Brockton, Salem, Lawrence and Worcester, also affiliated with the federal bank, were in the hands of State Banking Commissioner Arthur Guy, and auditors took charge while the affairs of the Federal National are arranged.

It was estimated that approximately 700,000 depositors with total deposits aggregating $60,000,000 were affected by the closing of the nine banks.

Long Inquiry Forecast

Chief National Bank Examiner Fred D. Williams expressed doubt if any report could be made by him within two months. He said the volume of business done by the parent bank made it unlikely that any early statement concerning its condition would be forthcoming.

However, Gov Joseph B. Ely continued to hold conferences with representatives of leading banks, financial men and civic leaders, in an effort to arrange for some plan for a quick opening of the banks. The governor expressed the belief that prompt action by the federal authorities, making use of the National Credit corporation, with the cooperation of state authorities, might provide prompt relief.

Meanwhile, following small runs on several banks, a spirit of calm settled on the banking situation as the result of reassurances by Gov Ely, Mayor James M. Curley, the Boston Clearing House association, Bank Commissioner Arthur Guy, President Frederick S. Snyder, president of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, and others. Checking of the runs on other banks, combined with the statement of officials of the closed Federal National bank of Boston, that with proper handling depositors would be paid 100 cents on the dollar, increased optimism.

SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN 12/17/31

CURLEY'S SON'S CASE UP AGAIN TOMORROW

Boston, Dec. 16—The case of Mayor James M. Curley's 16-year-old son, Leo, facing a possible manslaughter charge in connection with the automobile killing of a Springfield woman, was continued today until Friday.

NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 12/17/31

PLAN ADVANCE IN WHOLESALE MILK PRICE

Leaders in Agriculture Adopt Proposal at a Boston Conference

BOSTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—Agricultural leaders today adopted a proposal to advance the wholesale price of milk to seven cents on December 21, if practical, and not later than January 1.

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Rehabilitation of the milk industry in Massachusetts and New England was discussed in detail and a program adopted that would tend to prevent a recurrence of the present situation, due to lowering of price levels.

The proposal to adopt a seven cent level was made by Glenn Sevey, editor of The New England Homestead. A resolution also was adopted to have a committee meet with producers, distributers and the board of health to enlist their cooperation in maintaining the seven cent level.

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Mayor James M. Curley of Boston said the city, through the board of health, was seeking to protect the public from milk of unknown quality and source. He assured the conference of cooperation and said he would work with producers for a stabilization of price that would yield a fair return.

Th present wholesale price of milk is five cents while the retail price is eight cents in chain stores and 10 cents a quart delivered at homes.

QUINCY NEWS 12/17/31

Curley Asks 3 Millions For Hub Jobless Relief

Boston (UP)—Boston will attempt to raise a $3,000,000 unemployment relief fund through public subscription.

Mayor James M. Curley announced tentative plans for the campaign yesterday, pointing out that success of the drive would relieve taxpayers of providing an equal amount for distribution by the public welfare department.

A total of $39,450 already has been donated to the relief fund.

LEOMINSTER ENTERPRISE 12/17/31

TO ADVANCE THE WHOLESALE PRICE OF MILK

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TAUNTON GAZETTE 12/17/31

DISCUSS MILK

(By United Press)

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—State and city officials, farmers, business leaders and lawyers met at Hotel Statler yesterday to discuss ways of saving the New England milk industry from collapse through profitless prices.

They adopted a resolution for restoration of a price of seven cents a quart to dealers, in place of the existing five-cent price. They also suggested that the New England governors appoint a milk board to promote harmony in the industry.

Dr. Arthur W. Gilbert, commissioner of agriculture, presided at the meeting, and Governor Wilson of Vermont and Mayor Curley were among those present.

TOWN TOPICS 12/19/31

CURLEY LEAD AGAIN!

Boston's Mayor Leads in Great Drive to Aid Unemployment in Winter Months.



The Hon. James M. Curley has again demonstrated that he is the right man at the helm of the ship in uncertain times by leading a three million dollar drive to aid Boston's needy during the winter months.

That Mayor Curley will be successful in this, is not to be questioned as anything he ever taps always goes over.

That's why Curley should be backed in his efforts to nominate Roosevelt as president. For with Curley close to the throne New England would be bound to prosper the next four years.

TOWN TOPICS 12/19/31

Curley Heads Them Off

Senator David I. Walsh, who still retains a world of sex appeal, even though age of the old is creeping on him, and Governor Joseph Buell Ely, the fair-haired protege of the handsome Seator have no desire to let James M. Curley, Boston's able mayor lead Massachusetts for Roosevelt for president. And so they are using Al Smith and they want the delegates to run as pledged to Al for president, and then let Al deliver them any way he sees fit.

That's a lot of bunk. Everybody knows that Herb Hoover is on the skids, but on the other hand everybody knows that the one man that Herb Hoover can whip is Al Smith, and what's more Al knows it himself and so does Dapper Dave Walsh as well as his shadow the very presentable Gov. J. Buell Ely.

Simply because Curley was far sighted enough to hop into the lead for Roosevelt, has got them all hot and bothered and they are now doing bowling alley duty, which in polite society is becoming pin boys.

PARKWAY TRANSCRIPT 1/1/32

Every citizen of the Parkway will utter a hearty amen to the demand made by Mayor Curley for a reduction of 25 per cent in fire insurance rates. As a basis for this demand for lower insurance throughout the city, Mayor Curley cites the well known fact that present insurance rates were based on conditions existing years ago; and that Boston has in recent years spent millions of dollars for a high pressure water system, as well as other millions for a motorized fire department, both contributing immeasurably to the fire protection of the city. But in the face of all this, every householder and every property owner is being charged today the same insurance rates which obtained before all these millions were spent for better fire protection. Mayor Curley is entirely justified in insisting now that property owners get a substantial reduction in the cost of fire insurence. And this reduction should go into effect at once. The records of fire loss in the Parkway bear out the righteousness of this contention in every way.

SALEM NEWS 12/22/31

RELIEF FUNDS

Mayor Curley has gone to work in Boston to raise a fund of $3,000,000 for unemployment relief. Similar campaigns are under way in other cities. The mayor says he is determined to avoid an increase in the tax rate. He thinks Boston will have to spend $1,125,000 in January and the same in February, and he says he can not imagine anything more vicious than raising taxes in a depression. Mr. Curley has the right idea, and the people who have money should see that if they do not contribute it generously to this fund, they will have to pay it in taxes. It is better to have such a fund raised through voluntary gifts. If it is provided out of taxation, a precedent is created, and some people form the habit of depending on public charity, and feel that they are entitled to it. Mr. Curley's idea about raising taxes in a time of depression should be more generally shared throughout the country. Some taxes of course must be increased. The federal budget must be balanced, even if federal taxes are much higher. Yet much of the increase of these taxes could be avoided, if congress made a vigorous effort to reduce the cost of government departments.

MARLBORO ENTERPRISE
12/21/31

BOSTON MAYOR TO ADDRESS TRUCKMEN

Mayor James M. Curley of Boston and Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Morgan T. Ryan, have accepted invitations to speak before the mass meeting and dinner of Massachusetts truckmen which is to be held Monday evening at the Boston Chamber of Commerce. Other speakers will be John R. Bingaman, president of a Pennsylvania association of truckmen and W. W. McBride, general manager of the New York Truckers. In lighter vein, Bill Cunningham, sports writer, will deliver an address.

The meeting which has been arranged by the Master Truckmen's Association, Inc., has been planned to bring together all trucking interests in the Commonwealth and to discuss plans for improving ther business conditions. The dinner will be served at 6:30 o'clock.

WINTHROP REVIEW 12/18/31

219 Evaded Motor Excise Tax in 1929

$2942 Lost As Result of Car Owners Giving Fictitious Addresses

Winthrop Review 12/18

Along the same lines as Mayor Curley of Boston pointed out last week, Chairman of the Board of Assessors Frank W. Tucker, of this town, points out the difficulty now experienced in making collection on the motor excise tax here.

No less than 219 uncollectable excise tax bills for the year 1929, amounting to $2942, or about 9 percent of the total derived from the motor exise tax, is the result of fictitious addresses given by car owners in this town.

In summarizing the existing situation, Chairman Tucker stated:

"Mayor Curley's suggestion, made at the Mayors' Club, that motor excise taxes be paid at the time of registration, is a timely one and worthy of careful consideration, as the effort to evade these taxes has already become a well defined racket.

"In this town after two years' diligent work by the constable-collector, supplementing the labors of the collector's office, a return has been made to the Tax Commissioner of 219 uncollectable excise tax bills of the year 1929, amounting to $2942, about 9 percent of the net amount due from motor excise taxes for the year stated and equal to the amount of tax revenue that would be received from real estate taxes upon property valued at $113,000.

"Of the 219 tax bills reported as uncollectable, the reason given for 165 was either false address or in cases where transients having registered had moved without giving new addresses: 20 had either died or gone into bankruptcy without leaving assets or estates and 27 plead poverty.

"Of 750 tax bills sent out on Dec. 1st nearly two dozen were returned marked 'Persons unknown.'

"As the moneys collected from motor excise are all merged in the general tax levy, the inability to collect has a direct effect on increase in the tax rate.

"Due to the vast amount of labor involved in assessing, committing and collecting these taxes combined with the amount uncollected, towns and cities could well afford to pay the state liberally for its work of collecting and its transfer to the Highway Registry would form no hardship as it would be fully remunerated."

PORTLAND PRESS-HERALD 12/24/31

The Aroostook Potato Situation

Editor of The Press Herald:

In all probability there is not nearly as many potatoes in Aroostook County or in Maine as in many years, and probably from present appearances many thousand less cars to move than in the past two years, with less carloads really to market than in recent years in the United States, due to the fact that there are more very poor quality potatoes in the western states than any year since 1901.

What is the matter with the potato market?

The only answer is the marketing system. Nobody who owns potatoes can expect anything big for his holdings but surely nobody can object to the farmer trying to get cost out of the balance of their holdings.

Recently the Mayor of Boston took a hand in the milk dealers' row and put an end to milk dealers' squabbles by excluding milk brought in from other states to break the local producers, so that milk manipulators could boost the price the next year when local producers would be out of the picture.

The identical feature is true in the potato marketing scheme this year. If Aroostook County is forced for lack of money (which can only come from the sale of this crop) to abandon—the attempt to produce in 1932. Potatoes will come to American markets but they will come from foreign countries and they will be the same poor, dark, miserable things they always were but the price will be next to prohibitive to the poor, the people who consume most of the potatoes.

If these assertions are true and the growers are as badly affected and they are a thousand per cent worse than anything in print has dared to hint. What is the outcome? Submit to continued exploitation or make some effort toward a solution. The good book says "The Lord helps those who help themselves."
themselves." To help put the Union over is the thing to do, and to inaugurate a single sales agency for Aroostook County is the ultimate solution of the industry.

E. H. Doyle.

NORWOOD MESSENGER 12/24/31

Truckmen Will Have Banquet

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The meeting, which has been arranged by the Master Truckmen's Association, Inc., has been planned to bring together all trucking interests in the Commonwealth and to discuss plans for improving their business conditions. The dinner will be served at 6:30 p. m.

Several Norwood men in the trucking business will attend the banquet.

QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER 12/28/31

SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENT

Editor Patriot Ledger:

Again I want to congratulate you on some of your editorials. But the one in Saturday's issue "The Right Loyalty" is splendid. Certainly, no one could accuse Mayor Curley of being a Republican, yet he is a very clever and sensible man, and he knows what President Hoover is struggling against at this time. When we hear the peanut politicians over the country talking against President Hoover, it almost makes one shudder for the future of the nation. However, if these cheap politicians keep it up long enough, they are going to swing the country to Mr. Hoover next year, just as England swung back to MacDonald at a time when it seemed as though he could not muster many votes.

I am of the firm opinion that our great leaders and clergymen should get together in a non-sectarian and non-partisan effort to forget their differences and issue a broadcast for everyone to stand behind our President and the good old United States of America.

Think how far such an appeal would reach if signed and issued by Cardinal O'Connell, Bishop Lawrence, Rabbi Wise, Rabbi Levi, Dr. Cadman, Jane Addams, and Mrs. Longworth. Many others would be added to this list. But, if a cross-section of the country's leaders could issue a unanimous appeal of this sort I am sure it would be a tremendous help.

W. P. C.

CHELSEA GAZETTE 12/24/31

ABUSE OF FAMILY WELFARE FUND

Mayor Curley should send his Welfare Relief Committee over to East Boston and investigate the method in which the work for needy persons is attended to. During the unfortunate trouble at the local banks, men who are receiving money from the city for their day's work, were noticed drawing sizable amount from the savings banks. Many robust men were in line; all appeared to have a good account at the bank. Citizens who knew they were drawing relief money from the city were astounded and stated that they were surprised at the laxity of those who were supposed to investigate matters. These men who receive relief from the city while having sufficient funds of their own, should be shown up and forced to disgorge the money received under false pretenses, while worthy citizens are really in need and cannot secure aid. The Mayor's Committee should make a rigid inquiry and the guilty ones made to suffer for their dishonesty. There are enough citizens who really need help, without giving funds to those not in need. — East Boston Leader.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 12/27/31

Crowded Session Ahead

Automobile Insurance and Fund for Aid of Banks Among Questions to Face New Legislature—Meanwhile Controversies Rage

By BEACON HILL.



BOSTON, Dec. 26.—'Twas the day after Christmas, and all through the House, not to mention the Senate and the various departments, not much was stirring except the spirit of controversy which has seemed to hover hereabouts for a long, long time. Soon the House and Senate members will be back here at work, and the corridor sessions, sometimes sparsely attended but never inarticulate, will adjourn for the serious business of passing laws, or preventing them; and so the ill will that comes from the off season will disappear in the work of the session.

In old copy-book days we learned, or were taught, the severe and dispiriting lesson that Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do, which always seemed a gloomy sort of view, and militated against what we regarded as the innocent and natural pleasures of childhood. All through this interim since the last regular session there has been a succession of controversial and frictional events and ventures on the Hill; and that distressing condition continues.

Take the case of Frank A. Goodwin, whom the governor is about to hear in relation to recent rather sweeping assertions by Mr. Goodwin to the effect that the state is being or has been cheated of large sums through our public institutions, that bad meat has been served—or at least meat not so good as has been paid for.

As a sort of preliminary to this pleasant tete-a-tete between the governor and the stormy petrel of motordom, finance commissionership and other activities, Councilman Francis E. Kelley of our city government has asked the governor to bounce Mr. Goodwin from his position as head of the Boston finance commission, charging, as reported, that the chairman is working in cahoots with Mayor Curley. Mr. Kelley labels the Goodwin charges as "unwarrantable and groundless charges against state officials" and alleges that they are for the purpose of diverting attention from what he, Mr. Kelley, considers reprehensible doings in the city departments.

With the merits of the charges by Mr. Goodwin or the charges against those charges by Mr. Kelley we have here nothing to do; but we are moved to a moment of reflection on the comedy of politics as played in these parts. The situation has interest away from Boston, whose finance commission is thus in the spotlight because of the tendency, as illustrated acutely now in the position of Fall River to centralize authority on Beacon Hill, to the loss of local authority; and also because Mr. Goodwin is always and inevitably an outstanding personal figure in Massachusetts politics, and at any time may bob up as a militant candidate for state office. You may like or dislike Mr. Goodwin, but he has a way of getting and holding attention.

Purpose of Commission

Ask any Boston man on the street what is the purpose of the Boston finance commission and why it was established and while he will be foggy as to facts he will almost surely answer you that the Boston finance commission exists for the purpose of keeping an eye on the city government of Boston and making it behave or exposing it when it does not. It is a bit humiliating for Boston, at least every local politician thinks so, that the state should appoint and maintain an isolated body which is not elected or controlled by the city voters, to oversee a municipal government which the voters do, in a manner of speaking at least, elect to office.

However, that's the situation, and this is what strikes a minor note of comedy, that a city father should resent the action of the finance commission's chairman in pecking away at state affairs, and doing so, as alleged, to shield a city official. In other words, it seems to have struck even a Boston city councilman that all is not right unless the chairman of the Boston finance commission is riding the mayor. So it seems to be a settled understanding that the state of mind of any chairman of this commission ought to be about like that of the anxious mother who called out to the maid:

"Nora, what's Jimmie doing now?"

"I don't know, mum."

"Well, find out and tell him to stop it."

Then, too, this activity of the chairman of the commission suggests another line of thought: Why not have a state finance commission—not a state commission on administration and finance, which we already have (to the distress of the state auditor and sometimes other critics)—which shall keep a watchful and suspicious eye on everything and anything that anybody does in the state service? We might by legislative act expand the functions and increase the responsibilities of the Boston finance commission so that it shall take in not only Boston, but everything else. That would be some job! Frank Goodwin seems to be tackling it already.

PORTLAND PRESS-HERALD 12/27/31

Democratic Chairman James Farley Of New York May Come To Maine

Head Of Roosevelt Campaign Promises To Journey Here If Necessary — Governorship Still In Air—Hobbs Appointment Approved

By Fred K. Owen

Just now the Democratic leaders of Maine seem more concerned about having the party in this State send to the National Convention a solid delegation for Governor Roosevelt than they are about their candidates for Governor and the like. Of course they are going to have gubernatorial and other candidates and they are sincere apparently in their belief that they'll be able to elect some of them, and maybe a governor.

But first they want to get this Roosevelt thing straightened out and as it looks now they are not going to have any trouble in doing it. One hears murmurings here and there from the dripping wets of the party, but there seems little chance these murmurings will be heard above the sounding demand that the New York executive be the party's standard bearer in this year of 1932 that is to come.

It will be conceded that the Roosevelt boom has been and is being carefully nurshd, but those who are doing the nursing have it in their favor but that there doesn't seem to be anyone in sight for others to tie to.

Governor Ritchie comes from too small a state to get much attention. Owen Young is creating no enthusiasm and while the great ability of Newton Baker and the fact that he comes from a state that the Democrats will need if they are going to win, are conceded, the feeling does exist although it has not been greatly bruited, that the Ohio man is too closely connected with some of great utility corporations to be available.

Al Smith An Enigma

This is the situation as I get it from Maine Democratic leaders who are familiar with the situation Nationally as well as in this State. They do admit that it is not quite so easy to place former Governor Smith in the present state of party affairs. The hope of the Roosevelt people is that eventually the former candidate will be with them, but they admit that they don't know and they will tell you that from their conversations with others closer to the heart of things than they are that they find the same doubt exists there.

But however that may be, the Roosevelt canvass in this State is apparently going as smoothly as a well oiled sewing machine.

One little test made a short time ago confirmed this idea. There was a meeting of the Democratic county committee in Portland when 30 members were present. To them the proposition was made of endorsing Roosevelt.

The response was spontaneous. Every one voted "yes" and did so without reservation or hesitation. It is to be remembered that this wasn't a city crowd either, for of the 30, 24 were from surrounding towns and they were just as strong for Roosevelt as the Portland men were.

"These men," commented one who was present, "were following no one's lead. They reflected the sentiment of the people back in their homes."

There will be a meeting of the Democratic national committee in New York the second week of January and Mr. Farley is expected immediately after that gathering has been held. He has promised to come and the only chance that he won't is that he may find that he is not needed.

If he comes, he will be here only for a day and will probably go no further than Portland. Here he will be given his chance to meet some of the local leaders and perhaps coach them a bit as to how to proceed.

If Mr. Farley comes, and we repeat that he has promised to do so, he will be about the biggest figure in the ranks of the Democracy officially to visit Maine in a long while.

Interest in Mr. Farleys coming will not be solely by reason of the fact that he is the directing force in the Roosevelt campaign. That gives him an outstanding position just now, but "Big Jim," as they call him in New York, would be an interesting figure if he wasn't trying to make any one President.

Perhaps he is better known the Country over as the chairman of the powerful New York boxing commission than as a politician. As with everything else with which he has to do, Mr. Farley is the dominating factor of this commission. There are two other members, but The New Yorker in writing of him awhile ago, said that these other two members stand to him about as the second and third consuls did to Napoleon Bonaparte.

Many Strings To Bow

He controls the prize fighters, he dominates Democratic politics in his own state and in addition to that is the one man in the New York building material trust. In politics he is powerful now, but if Roosevelt is nominated and elected he will be the man to whom the rest of the party will have to turn if they would be in touch with the administration. This makes his coming here a matter of genoral interest. But to the local Democracy his expected advent is much more than that. Not unnaturally they want to be on as close terms as possible with him.

In addition to what has already been done, State Chairman John H. Dooley of this city was in New York during the last week connecting up with the machine and visiting or expecting to visit Mr. Farley and with Miss Marbury who is the woman Roosevelt campaign manager.

The writer has learned that the Maine Democratics expect to send 12 delegates to the National convention the same as four years ago. The Republicans as is known have adopted the new Congressional apportionment as the basis of representation, which cuts the Maine delegates to 13.

What the Democrats will do will be decided at the meeting of the National committee next month. The question of whether to follow the old or the apportionment has been submitted to John W. Davis and he will report to the committee. His report, so it is understood here, will favor the old apportionment on the ground that this is the one prevailing when the convention is held.

With a representation of 12 in the convention the local leaders hope and expect that it will be solid for one candidate and that that candidate will be Governor Roosevelt. As one pointed out to the writer, twelve is not many votes anyway and will amount to little or nothing if they are split as they were in 1924 for example. If they can do that they think Maine may have some influence in the convention.

By the way here is a little sidelight on the situation in Massachusetts not generally understood. I was informed that Roosevelt expected the solid New England vote. "But what about Massachusetts?" I asked my informant, having in mind the fact that Governor Ely had proclaimed himself for Smith while Mayor Curley of Boston was equally strong for Roosevelt. "That's purely local" was the explanation. "Mayor Curley wants to be Governor of Massachusetts and Governor Ely desires to continue to hold the job. Both are playing for votes."

Chairman Farley Coming

But if what has already been done is not enough, an interesting bit of news is that James A. Farley, chairman of the Democratic state committee of New York and the man who will manage the Roosevelt campaign has promised to come to Maine and cinch the Governor's cause here if it needs cinching.

WORCESTER TELEGRAM 12/2/31

Baltimore

Enter the office of Mayor Mueller of Baltimore and the first person, his chief clerk inquires for is Mayor Curley of Boston. He knows him well because the mayor entertained him royally on a visit to the Hub some years ago.

He also inquires for Teddy Glynn and Park Commissioner William P. Long. They ask for Mayor Curley in Washington, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Kansas City, leaving you with the impression he is the best advertised mayor in the United States. William Woolley, in charge of the construction of the Indianapolis monument, knew him when he was in Congress.

And then, on to Chicago, where Mayor Cermak inquires for Governor Ely and one finds so many Norton Co. employes or former employes, who are interested in Worcester, that it's impossible to enumerate them.

It's a small world. You realize it especially when the porter on the Santa Fe limited from California to Chicago says, "I see you're from Worcester by your baggage. Wonder if you know my old pal T[illegible] Joslin? No, not the Leominster [illegible] who is secretary to Presidei[illegible] and used to write pieces fo[illegible] the Boston Transcript—this fellow lives on Mason street, Worcester.

12/30/31 SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN

Linking Port Terminals

While Mayor Curley's latest project for larger development of the Port of Boston seems to have fallen flat, so far as the general public is concerned, the plan of linking all railroads and wharves in a way that would do away with many switching charges and save much time in transferring cars from one set of tracks to another is one of no small importance. As things are now, freight coming in on the Albany or New Haven systems, intended for delivery at some point on the Boston & Maine, may take some time in transferring around the city, and the method of running trains through Atlantic avenue is slow and cumbersome and interferes seriously with ordinary street traffic.

The mayor's idea of using the Boston Elevated structure, rebuilt for heavy freight trains, is not a new one. It was discussed years ago before any elevated railway was built; and the discussion revived when, after the Washington-street subway had taken the El trains out of the Tremont-street subway, the Atlantic avenue loop became less important to El service than it had been at first. Apparently such use of an elevated structure as the mayor now has in mind involves no great engineering difficulty, and if used it would form a short way for running trains across the city between the northern and southern railroads. Whether it would easily provide for spur tracks to all the wharves, however, is a question. The advantage of having the railroad cars above street level on Atlantic avenue might seem to become a disadvantage when the same cars were at or over the wharf terminals unless the terminals themselves should be reconstructed on a two-level basis.

However, not much sympathy for present action on the mayor's plan seems likely, in view of the effect it would be sure to have on the tax levy. With wise administrators getting together everywhere for short and deep cutting of public expenditures, a public project involving an outlay of $10,000,000 is not going to get far, just now, even for the sake of port development. The taxpayers deserve first consideration.

12/28/31 QUINCY PATRIOT-LEDGER

ALLEN REPORTED CONSIDERING TRY AT GOVERNORSHIP

Former Governor Said to Have in Mind Contesting For Republican Nomination Against Youngman

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LYNN ITEM 12/30/31

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A reduction of "at least 25 per cent" in the fire insurance rates in Boston is being sought by Mayor Curley, of Boston. He bases his claim for lower rates on improved fire fighting facilities now afforded in that city as the result of the adoption of a program of fire prevention now said to be in full operation there.

He asserts that every request and every recommendation of the Board of Underwriters for improved facilities and desired changes, has been complied with. He favors as an additional means of reducing fire losses the adoption by the Legislature of a compulsory sprinkler act requiring installation of sprinkler systems in all loft buildings and all first and second class buildings.

Lynn's fire fighting force and equipment is undoubtedly more efficient today than ever before in the history of the city. Just one exceedingly important provision may be said to be necessary to render protection of human lives and property as nearly perfect when all existing units are functioning properly, as is humanly possible.

That one thing lacking is the construction of a central fire alarm station in a location sufficiently isolated from the possible danger of any major conflagration to insure perfect functioning of the fire alarm system under any condition that might possibly arise. This improvement has long been advocated. Should it be provided, Lynn would be in a position to follow in the footsteps of Boston in an appeal to the Board of Underwriters for a readjustment of insurance rates downward.

NORTH ADAMS TRANSCRIPT 12/30/31

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As Republican Candidate for Governor Next Year

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NEW BEDFORD STANDARD 1/3/32

BACK PENNSY TREK INTO N. E.

Boston and Port Favor Its Operation of New Haven Line

PARLEY GIVEN PLAN

Mayor Curley and Trade Representatives Attend Conference

BOSTON, Jan. 2 (AP) — The Pennsylvania railroad would be authorized to acquire and operate the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad under proposals upon which Boston and the Boston port authority are to base their intervention in the trunk line proceedings now before the Interstate Commerce commission.

The proposals were contained in a report presented today at a conference between Mayor Curley, members of the port authority, and representatives of industrial and commercial organizations.

The New England governors' committee recommendation for a merger of the Boston & Maine and the New Haven roads with the Pennsylvania's interest in them reduced to 10 per cent of voting stock, if consummated, "would harm, not help, the business of New England ports," said a report containing the proposals.

"The major New England ports —Boston, Portland, New London and Providence, have no equivalent competitive trunk line, and if the New England roads were merged," the report said, "their disproportionate share of the through rate would stand as an insurmountable barrier to further development of the New England ports' business."

The proposal for giving control of the New Haven to the Pennsylvania contained the provision that the latter road "agree to complete its electrification."

Other proposals provided for: Continuation of the Boston & Albany under lease of the New York Central; the New Haven to retain its ownership and operation of the New York, Ontario & Western; the Boston & Maine to remain in status quo, and that trackage or running rights on a direct water level route between Mechanicville and Rotterdam Junction or Buffalo, with proper connections at Buffalo with the Grand Trunk system and the Nickel Plate, be demanded for the Boston & Maine.

SALEM NEWS 12/30/31

To Hear Lawyers On Enlargement Of Courthouse

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Unless there is an unexpected shift in the alignment of the councilmen, the arguments in favor of acceptance which will be advanced by Rackemann and Bassett and possibly by Herbert Parker, will be of no avail.

The council majority is certain that there is a real estate "racket" involved in the project, and is adamant in its opposition to approving any legislation which may result in the enrichment of operators who specialize in gaining control of property essential to the completion of expensive public improvements.

SPRINGFIELD UNION 1/3/32

Mayor Curley's initiative in urging an increase in the gasoline tax from three cents a gallon to five has some importance because the revenue-seeking Legislature in its search for sources is bound to give gasoline renewed attention. It is not surprising that the disposition shown in other states to regard gasoline taxes as easy money should be observable in Massachusetts as well. Mr Curley's purpose to use the extra tax for the benefit of the cities and towns is calculated to put fighting strength back of the proposal, which the motor interests will strenuously oppose. It would be idle, however, for the municipalities to suppose that they are going to get a sufficient measure of relief from real estate through revenue from other taxes alone. Their salvation must come in large part from reducing expenses.